



# The Winston Whisper

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Aboriginal Mural

In a collaborative project, with a team of Aboriginal artists, our students have been working on a mural on the external wall of the library.

Leanne Tobin, Jessica Tobin and Dianne Ussher are all Darug Aboriginal women, descended from the traditional Aboriginal people of the Greater Sydney region.

The mural they are creating with the children aims to highlight connections to the local environment, a deep spiritual connection between plants and animals that the Traditional Darug people have always had.

It is hoped that learning about the plants and animals that live here will encourage a respectful connection to our local environment. An environment that we all have a responsibility to care for.

All classes across the school have been involved in activities relating to the project, as a way of connecting local histories and the local Aboriginal community to learning in History and Geography.



### Zone Cross Country

I would like to congratulate the students who represented our school last Thursday at the Castle Hill Zone Cross Country Carnival. It was great to see the students try their best and also support each other on the day.

### Athletics Carnival

Unfortunately we have had to postpone the Athletics Carnival today due to the predicted weather and the lack of shelter at the venue. The new date will be Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> June.

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## CALENDAR

### TERM 2

#### Week 6

Wednesday 6 June  
Thursday 7 June

Parent Plus Evening 6.15pm  
School Photo Day  
Uniform Shop Open 8.40am  
Uniform Shop Open 6-7pm  
3-6 Assembly  
Synergy Dance Festival Rehearsal  
-Support

#### Week 7

Monday 11 June  
Tuesday 12 June  
Wednesday 13 June

**Public Holiday**  
Gymnastics K-2  
ICAS Spelling – 8.00am  
Gymnastics K-2  
Synergy Dance Festival Evening  
Performance - Support  
Uniform Shop Open 8.40am  
ICAS Writing 8.00am  
K-2 Assembly  
Synergy Dance Festival Day  
Performance - Support

Thursday 14 June

## WHAT'S DUE?

Monday 4 June	Synergy Dance Festival Note & Payment
Monday 11 June	Canberra Excursion 2 <sup>nd</sup> Instalment
Thursday 21 June	Term 3 Account Calmsley Hill Note & Payment Gymnastics Note & Payment Sydney Observatory Note & Payment
Thursday 5 July	Treasure Hunt Note & Payment

## ACCOMPANYING NOTES

- Dance-a-thon Note to Parents
- Treasure Hunt Note – Education Week

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL Continued...

### Sporting Achievements

Last week we saw Caleb Kirkegard represent the area at the state soccer championships. Sydney West had a successful championship with the team having a draw in the final and awarded joint premiers.

### Parents Information Sessions- Mathematics

Parent information nights on Mathematics will continue to be held at Winston Hills Public School tonight and on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> June. It was great to see 60 parents join us for the first session that was held two weeks ago. The session will start at 6:15pm and will last an hour. These sessions are for parents only so please do not bring your child to the session. The course aims to provide an understanding of the K-6 Mathematics syllabus and how mathematics is taught within the classroom.

**Mark Byrne**

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## FROM THE DEPUTY

### School Photo Day 😊

Tomorrow is our school photo day. All class and individual photos, including School Leaders and SRC will be taken on this day. Year 6 Graduation Photo may also be taken, time permitting, otherwise it will be rescheduled to Monday 20 August when special group photos are taken. There will be no K-2 Gymnastics on Wednesday, those classes had a makeup session yesterday. Students are to:

- wear full winter uniform (see below)
- wear their badges (Leaders, SRC etc), and
- bring their smiles

### Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Focus Area for Week 5 & 6

**Winnie's Focus Area**

**We are respectful.....**

**"We move around the school quietly"**





This fortnight's PBL focus is about being respectful. Students are reminded to move around the school quietly when moving off from lines or from one classroom to another. Posters will be put up around the school to emphasise this fortnight's focus.

### Dance-a-thon 2018

This year the Dance-a-thon will be on Thursday 28 June at 11:30am. All students will receive their sponsor cards next week. Students are encouraged to get as many sponsors as possible for dancing to 14 songs, and to support our wonderful P&C with this fundraiser. The first class from K-2 and 3-6 to bring all their sponsor money back after the Dance-a-Thon will receive a prize!!!

### Peer Support

We have had 2 Peer Support sessions over the past 2 weeks and the program has been very well received by all the K-6 students. Lots of happy smiles during Peer Support and the Stage 3 Leaders do a fantastic job in organising and delivering the lessons, in a fun and harmonious setting. All teachers were very impressed.



**Wendy Kayello**  
Deputy Principal

## ASSEMBLIES

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

- Thursday 7 June – 2.00 pm
- Class Item – 5J
- Parents are welcome to attend

### Kindergarten & Stage 1 Assembly (K-2)

- Thursday 14 June – 2.00 pm
- 2Y – will host the Assembly
- Parents are welcome to attend

# SCHOOL NEWS

## PSSA RESULTS – Round 4

### AFL

Junior Vs Murray Farm Public School	Drew	15-15
Senior Vs North Rocks Public School	Won	22-9

### Newcombe Ball

Junior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	60-51 sets 2-1
Senior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Lost	2-63 sets 0-3

### Netball

Junior A Vs Samuel Gilbert Public School	Won	10-1
Junior B Vs Oakhill Drive Public School	Lost	1-3
Senior A Vs Samuel Gilbert Public School	Won	10-3
Senior B Vs Winston Heights Public School	Won	11-4

### Rugby League

Junior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	22-10
Senior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	24-14

### Soccer (Football)

Junior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	3-1
Senior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	5-0
Open Girls Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	3-2

## PSSA RESULTS – Round 4

### AFL

Junior Vs Oakhill Dr Public School	Lost	8-42
Senior Vs Oakhill Dr Public School	Lost	9-42

### Newcombe Ball

Junior Vs North Rocks Public School	Won	63-41 sets 3-0
Senior Vs North Rocks Public School	Lost	60-51 sets 1-2

### Netball

Jnr A Vs Kellyville Public School	Won	6-5
Jnr B Vs Matthew Pearce Public School	Won	2-0
Snr A Vs Kellyville Public School	Won	20-5
Snr B Vs Glenhaven Public School	Lost	8-10

### Rugby League

Junior Vs Samuel Gilbert Public School	Lost	10-12
Senior Vs Samuel Gilbert Public School	Won	38-4

### Soccer (Football)

Junior Vs North Rocks Public School	Won	1-0
Senior Vs North Rocks Public School	Drew	2-2
Open Girls Vs North Rocks Public School	Drew	1-1

### Training

Rugby League – Wednesday 8.15am  
 Netball – Thursday 8.15am  
 AFL – Thursday 3pm- 4pm  
 Newcombe Ball & Soccer – Friday 8.15am

*Melissa Johnston*

## PSSA – Where are they playing?



### Round 6 – 8 June 2018

AFL	Vs Castle Hill Public School Kellyville Park
Netball	Kellyville Netball Courts
Rugby League	Vs Sherwood Ridge PS Crestwood Reserve 1
Soccer	Vs Matthew Pearce PS Francesco Reserve
Newcombe Ball	Vs Matthew Pearce PS @ Matthew Pearce School

### Round 7 – 15 June 2018

AFL	Vs Carlingford West PS Kellyville Park
Netball	Kellyville Netball Courts
Rugby League	Vs Castle Hill Public School John Curtin Oval
Soccer	Vs Winston Heights PS Max Rudock Reserve
Newcombe Ball	Vs Winston Heights @ Winston Hills School

## REMINDER

**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY  
 TOMORROW  
 6 JUNE 2018  
 STUDENT'S TO WEAR  
 FULL WINTER UNIFORM**





# SCHOOL NEWS



## Bookchat

*Welcome to Bookchat!  
Our little corner for enthusiastic  
readers who would like to share  
their book review...*



Mystery of the Colour Thief is about a girl named Izzy who is trying to solve the mystery of the colour thief. She sees the thief only in her nightmares. When this happens, the colour of her bedroom door start to disappear and turn to black. This all started after her mum was in a terrible accident and ended up in a coma and her best friend dumped her.

My favourite part of the story was when Izzy started to solve the mystery with the help of her friend Toby. It was hard to put the book down especially when all the recent events in Izzy's life start to connect together, which helped her solve the mystery.

This book would suit anyone who loves short, hair-raising mysteries. Happy reading!

**RACHEL 6H**

## Stewart House Clothing Appeal



*Winston Hills Public School  
is taking part in the  
Stewart House Clothing Appeal*

*Each child will receive a plastic bag  
to fill with clean clothes, blankets or toys*

*All filled bags are to be dropped off  
at the side of the K-2 Sports Shed  
no later than*

**Monday 19 June 2018**

*Thank you for your assistance in this initiative.*



With many children suffering from anxiety today, a team of researchers at the University of Queensland developed an online psychological program called BRAVE. It's based on cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT), the most effective method for overcoming anxiety in children and teenagers. Students can do this program with me, however if you would like to do the BRAVE program at home with your child then go to [www.brave-online.com](http://www.brave-online.com). Each letter in "BRAVE" stands for a new step in the process of overcoming anxiety. Firstly, we will be looking at "**B**" for **Body signs** where we will understand what our body is telling us when we are nervous or scared. Children can then understand that having a sore tummy or a headache is a natural sign when they are in an anxious situation, like making a speech or being dropped off at school. In the next newsletter we will look at "R" and some simple ways to **Relax the body**.

Take care

**Kylie Isherwood**  
Chaplain

# P & C NEWS

## P&C UPDATE

Following the most recent meeting of the Winston Hills Public School P&C I can confirm appointment of the following parent, career and citizen volunteers to the following positions:

### P&C

President ..... Allan Dall  
 Vice President ..... Sue Bryant  
 Secretary ..... Jeff Greene  
 Treasurer ..... Marika Hager  
 Fundraising Coordinator ..... Ali Buchanan  
 Book Club Coordinator ..... Michelle White  
 School Banking Coordinator ..... Micaela Ashton

### Uniform Shop

Convenor ..... Irish Lewis  
 Convenor ..... Kellie Bramble  
 Minute Taker ..... Belinda Schuster  
 Treasurer ..... Janine Cameron

### Band

Convener ..... Siobhan Buchan  
 Financial Manager ..... Donna Plummer  
 Secretary ..... Jackie Mardling  
 Training Band ..... Siobhan, Samantha Hinchelwood  
 Intermediate Band ..... Lorna Fitzgibbons  
 Performance Band ..... Samantha Hinchelwood  
 Teacher Liaison ..... Raechel Webb  
 Resource Librarian ..... Moonju Cho

The P&C is an entirely volunteer run organisation and contributes significant funding and support to Winston Hills Public school.

Without the tireless dedication of our volunteers our committees and fundraising would not take place and the resources, technology and equipment regularly donated to the school throughout the year would not occur.

I would like to thank our 2017 committee members for their efforts, particularly Sue Bryant our outgoing president.

**Allan Dall**  
**P&C President**

## ACCOUNTANT WANTED

The P&C is in need of a parent with accounting or bookkeeping skills to undertake a review of our very simple accounts and statements in January 2019. If there are any parents with some time that could be of assistance please let us know via email to [whpspandc@gmail.com](mailto:whpspandc@gmail.com)

## CHPSSA Zone Cross-Country 2018

On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May, 47 students participated in the CHPSSA Zone carnival at Masonic Oval, Baulkham Hill under great weather conditions. The students were extremely well behaved throughout the day. There was some close competition at the finishing line between a number of schools.

Congratulations to our Boys 11yrs Team they placed 1st in their age group and were presented with a banner for the school.

Zac Le Quesne  
 Zac Redwood  
 Harry Anderson  
 Riley Christie  
 Cooper Teran  
 Ravi Soni

We wish the following students well who will represent CHPSSA at the SW Zone Cross Country on the Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June at Sydney Motorsport Park, Ferrers Rd, Eastern Creek.

Boys 10 yrs  
 Beau Cameron  
 Girls 10yrs  
 Alexandra Attard  
 Boys 11 yrs  
 Zac Le Quesne

## P&C FUNDRAISING

### Dance-a-thon

Winston Hills Public School Dance-a-thon will be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Do you want to see your child/children dance? We are still looking for volunteers to help out from 11.00am until 1.30pm. If you can help, please call Ali Buchanan on 0415 216 993.

## DANCE - A - THON

Fundraiser



**Thursday 28 June 2018**

**11.30am – 1.10pm**

**MUFTI DAY**



## Class of the Week 1B

Students in 1B have been working hard to compose a persuasive text that convinces people to put their rubbish in the bin. They have enjoyed following the writing cycle and are proud to share their work.

