



# The Winston Whisper

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Band Camp

On the weekend, 76 students from the school attended our band camp at Galston Gorge. Although I wasn't able to be there for the performance, I did enjoy the time I spent there on Saturday. The students did an amazing job at representing our school. I would like to give a big thank you to the teachers (Ms Webb, Mr Freney, Ms O'Hegarty, Ms Charalabidis, Mr Astill, Miss Nettleton and Ms Johnston) and the parents (Mrs Buchan, Mrs Hinchelwood, Mrs Fitzgibbon, Mrs Mardling and Mrs Cho) for giving up their weekend to support this great program. I would particularly like to thank Mrs Buchan and Ms Webb for their leadership of the program.

### EDUCATION WEEK

Next Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August is our school's Open Day for Education Week. This will include open classrooms and our Book Character parade. Time to start getting your costumes ready. Ms Kayello has included details about this day in her column. We are looking forward to the day.

### URGENT - Kinder Enrolments for 2019

We are at the final stages of preparing the Kinder Orientation program which will start early next term. If you currently have a form and you have not submitted it, please do so over the next couple of weeks. If you are aware of any in-area children intending to enrol for next year (who haven't already done so), please advise them to contact the school as soon as possible to fill in enrolment forms and receive information about Kindergarten Orientation. Information will be sent home to those who have already enrolled for next year over the next few weeks.

### Staffing

I would like to welcome Mrs Lisa Moses who will be our librarian for the remainder of the year. Mrs Limson is currently teaching in Canada as part of an exchange program.

### Australian Early Development Census

The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) will be conducted this week for our Kindergarten students. It is a nationwide census of early childhood development which is undertaken every three years. The project involves the collection of data across five developmental areas for all children who are eligible to start school in 2018. The collected information will be used by childhood educators, schools, health services, local council communities groups and governments to help plan and allocate the right type of services and support for their community. If your child is in Kindergarten and you would like to have your child excluded, please let the school know.

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## CALENDAR

### TERM 3

#### Week 2

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| Wednesday 1 August | Opportunity Class Test<br>Gymnastics Years 3-6      |
| Thursday 2 August  | Uniform Shop Open 8.40am<br>Uniform Shop Open 6-7pm |

#### Week 3

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| Monday 6 August    | Education Week – Book Week<br>Live Performance 'Treasure Hunt' |
| Tuesday 7 August   | Gymnastics Years 3-6   |
| Wednesday 8 August | OPEN DAY<br>Book Character Parade Book Fair                    |
| Thursday 9 August  | Uniform Shop Open 8.40am                                       |
| Friday 10 August   | Winter PSSA Semi Finals  |

#### Week 4

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| Tuesday 14 August | ICAS Maths Competition – 8am<br>P&C Meeting – 7.30pm<br>Gymnastics Years 3-6 |
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## WHAT'S DUE?

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| Thursday 9 August | Fun Photos |
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## ACCOMPANYING NOTES

- Stage 2 - Hills Public Speaking competition 2018

## ASSEMBLIES

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

- Thursday 9 August – 2.00 pm
- KJ – will host the Assembly
- Parents are welcome to attend

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

- Thursday 2 August – 2.00 pm
- Class Item – 5V
- Parents are welcome to attend

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL Cont...

### Staff Professional Learning

On Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July, the staff were involved in professional learning to support the introduction of a new program that will see the school working closely with the Department of Health to support students and families within the school. The program is called "Got It" and has been already rolled out into a number of schools over the past two years. It looks at supporting both infant students and parents with social and emotional needs.

**Mark Byrne**

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## FROM THE DEPUTY

### Welcome back

It is wonderful to see the students back with beautiful smiles on their faces and ready to start another busy and fun term.

I was very lucky to have had the opportunity to join the Kindergartens on their Calmsley Farm excursion last Wednesday 25 July. The students had a fabulous time patting a bunny, milking Custard the cow, going on the bumpy tractor ride and watching the dog and sheep shearing show. Congratulations to all the students for their impressive behaviour – Well done Kindergarten.



### Opportunity Class Placement Test

The Opportunity Class Placement Test for 2019 Year 5 entry will be held on **Wednesday 1 August, 2018**. The test is held **only on this day** and only in official test centres in NSW. There is no catch-up test. Students are to wear full school uniform on this day.

**Time:** 9am -11:15am

**Venue:** Seven Hills High School,  
Johnson Ave. SEVEN HILLS NSW 2147

### Mathematics Enrichment Day

A half-day Mathematics Enrichment day was held yesterday and another half-day will be this coming Thursday. Students were nominated by their teachers to be part of these enrichment sessions.

Students will participate in mathematical enrichment activities, where students will gain insight into problem solving, working in teams and various mathematical concepts that are part of the curriculum to challenge and extend their thinking. Nominated students have received a letter to confirm their participation.



### Education Week – Week 3

As part of our Education Week school celebrations, we are holding the annual Open Day and Book Character Parade On Wednesday 8 August, with the Book Week theme of **'Find Your Treasure'**. Students are asked to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Parents and families are invited to join us for the parade at 9:30am in the 3-6 playground. Morning tea will be served by our wonderful SRC members at 11am.

The annual school Book Fair will be held in the new hall from 8.30am – 9.00am and re-open after the book character parade until 12:15pm. EFTPOS is available. Please come along and buy a book for your child.

**8.30 am – 9 am** Book fair in the new hall

**9.30 am** Book character parade in the 3-6 playground

**11.00 am** Parent morning tea on the multipurpose court

Book fair in the new hall

**11.30 – 12.15 pm** Open classrooms – K-6

Looking forward to seeing you then.

### Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Focus Area for Week 1 & 2



Our first PBL focus for this fortnight is about being safe. Students are reminded to stay safe by keeping their hands and feet to themselves. Posters will be put up around the school to emphasise this fortnight's focus.

**Wendy Kayello**  
**Deputy Principal**

# SCHOOL NEWS

## PSSA RESULTS – Round 10

### AFL

Junior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	25-15
Senior Vs Baulkham Hills North Public	Won	38-26

### Newcombe Ball

Junior Vs Murray Farm Public School	Lost	56-62
	Sets	1-2
Senior Vs Murray Farm Public School	Lost	49-63
	Sets	0-3

### Netball

Jnr A Vs Excelsior Public School	Lost	5-6
Jnr B Vs Excelsior Public School	Lost	0-2
Snr A Vs Sherwood Ridge Public School	Won	11-7
Snr B Vs Murray Farm Public School	Won	13-9

### Rugby League

Junior Vs Matthew Pearce Public School	Won	32-20
Senior Vs Matthew Pearce Public School	Won	32-12

### Soccer (Football)

Junior Vs Murray Farm Public School	Won	4-0
Senior Vs Murray Farm Public School	Won	5-2
Open Girls Vs Murray Farm Public School	Lost	2-0

## PSSA RESULTS – Round 11

### AFL

Junior Vs Kellyville Public School	Won	71-14
Senior Vs Kellyville Public School	Won	26-14

### Newcombe Ball

Junior Vs Northmead Public School	Won	59-52
	Sets	2-1
Senior Vs Northmead Public School	Won	63-51
	Sets	3-0

### Netball

Jnr A Vs Castle Hill Public School	Won	14-3
Jnr B Vs Beaumont Hills Public School	Lost	0-3
Snr A Vs Kellyville Public School	Won	13-3
Snr B Vs Castle Hill Public School	Lost	3-8

### Rugby League

Junior Vs Crestwood Public School	Drew	24-24
Senior Vs Castle Hill Public School	Won	34-0

### Soccer (Football)

Junior Vs Northmead Public School	Drew	1-1
Senior Vs Northmead Public School	Won	7-2
Open Girls Vs Northmead Public School	Won	1-0

### 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 12 – 3 August 2018

AFL	Vs Matthew Pearce Public @ Kellyville Park
Netball	@ Kellyville Netball Courts
Rugby League	Vs Kellyville Public @ John Curtain Oval
Soccer	Vs Crestwood Public @ Max Ruddock Reserve
Newcombe Ball	Vs Crestwood Public @ Winston Hills School

### Round 13 – 10 August 2018

AFL	Vs Crestwood Public @ Kellyville Park
Netball	@ Kellyville Netball Courts
Rugby League	Vs Baulkham Hills North @ John Curtin Oval
Soccer	Vs Baulkham Hills North @ Max Rudock Reserve
Newcombe Ball	Vs Baulkham Hills North @ Winston Hills School

## TREASURE HUNT LIVE PERFORMANCE Payment Extension

Notes and Payment for the Treasure Hunt Live Performance has been extended to this Thursday 2 August 2018

**NO PAYMENTS WILL BE PROCESSED  
AFTER THIS DATE**



# SCHOOL NEWS



## Open Day Book Character Parade Book Fair Wednesday 8th August 2018

The annual school Book Fair will be held in the new hall from 8.30am – 9.00am and re-open after the book character parade until 12:15pm. Please come along and buy a book for your child.

**EFTPOS is available  
CASH WILL BE THE QUICKEST  
AND EASIEST METHOD OF PAYMENT**

- 8.30 am – 9 am** Book fair in the new hall  
**9.30 am** Book character parade  
 - 3-6 playground  
**11.00 am** Parent morning tea - multipurpose court  
 Book fair in the new hall  
**11.30 – 12.15pm** Open classrooms – K-6



## Book Character Parade Wednesday 8 August 2018

Students are asked to come to school dressed as their favourite Book Character

## Hills Performing Arts Festival

Our School will be performing on  
Thursday 6 September 2018



Tickets go on sale  
Monday 6 August  
from 10am



## 2019

Kindergarten Enrolling Now  
Contact our office to collect  
Enrolment Application Form



## Fun Photo's

Can be viewed  
outside the Deputy's Office  
If you are interested  
Orders need to be in by  
Thursday 9 August



# P&C

Parents and Citizens Association

*Our Children ~ Our Future*

**P&C Meeting  
Tuesday 14 August 2018  
7.30pm  
All Welcome**

# SCHOOL NEWS



## BRAVE

We are now up to the fourth step in the BRAVE program with the letter **V**, which stands for **Victory** over fears. This means children can learn how to face their fears so they can cope and feel happy by creating a BRAVE ladder. This enables children to break their fears into smaller steps by focusing on them one at a time. Here's how to make it:

1. Children work out a goal to put at the top of the ladder, which means working out what fear they would like to overcome.
2. They break down the fear into small steps, around 10, so they can practise one at a time. They may need to practice a step many times before they are ready to move on to a more difficult one.
3. The steps are rated from easiest to hardest with the easiest to be done first, starting at the bottom.
4. Rewards are created for each completed step as they work their way up the ladder.

During this process they need to remember to relax and activate helpful thoughts along the way. Now they are ready to face their fears!

Take care  
**Kylie Isherwood**  
Chaplain



## DEBATING

Our two debating teams went to Kingswood Public School last Thursday 26 July to complete round 3 and 5 for the Premier's Debating Competition.

### Winston Hills Green vs Kingswood Public School

Topic:

**"That Parents should force their kids to do 2 hours of community service each week"**

Winston Hills Green were the negative and lost a hard fought debate on a difficult topic.

### Winston Hills Gold vs Kingswood Public School

Topic:

**"That we should ban contact sport for people under 18"**

Once again we were the negative team, however with much more personal opinions, we won this excellent debate.

### Out teams include

Zack R, Patrick D, Kaira D, Lily M, Jarrod P, Isabella M, Ayesha R, Geraldine K, Natalia B & Alexandra A.

## There's more to your library

### LIBRARY NEWS

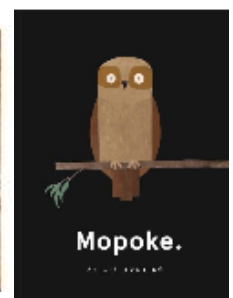
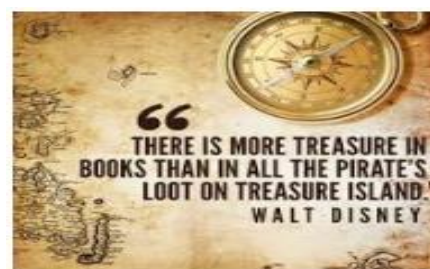
My name is Mrs Moses and I am very excited to be taking on the Teacher Librarian position during Terms 3 and 4 at Winston Hills Public School. I have had a very enjoyable first week getting to know many of the students at Winston Hills. I look forward to meeting more students over the next few weeks.

Many exciting things are planned for Week 3 of Term 3 at Winston Hills. We have a Book Themed Show on the Monday, a Book Character Parade on the Wednesday and also on the Wednesday, we have the Scholastic Book Fair in the Hall. This year the Theme for Children's Book Week is **FIND YOUR TREASURE**. Please join us on Open Day and take the opportunity to watch the Book Character Parade and visit the Book Fair.

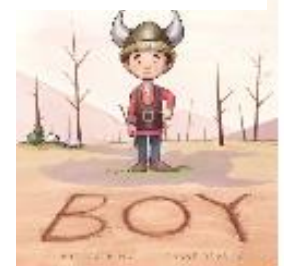
I would like to encourage all students K-6 to pop a Library bag in their school bag each week. We need to **TREASURE** the beautiful books we have at Winston Hills and taking good care of them whilst in transit from school to home will assist us in our efforts.

I encourage all students to borrow from the school library each week – you never know what **TREASURE** you will find on your journey through the pages!!

**Mrs Moses**



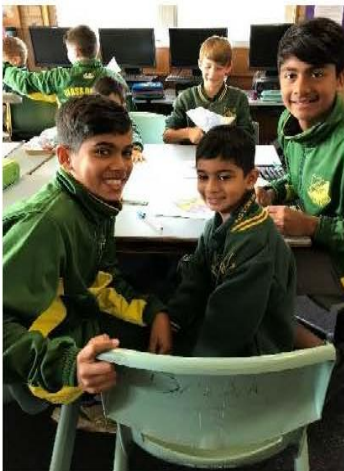
### Two of the CBCA Week Short Listed Books we have in the Library





# Classes of the week:

## KV and 6R



KV and 6R look forward to weekly Buddy sessions. They particularly enjoy creating beautiful artworks together using a range of art materials and techniques.

