



# The Winston Whisper

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Stage 3 Camp- Milson Island

Yesterday Year 5 and 6 left to attend a five day camp at Milson Island in the Hawkesbury River. I am sure that they will have an amazing time and no doubt make memories that will last forever. I would like to acknowledge the staff and their families for putting their life on hold for a week to ensure that our students have a great experience. Thank you Ms Ward, Ms Lam, Ms Frank, Mrs Pollard, Miss Russell, Ms Johnson, Mr Freney, Miss O' Hegarty, Mrs Moses and Mr Neves on an amazing job.

### Semester One Reports – Go home tomorrow

Student reports are being sent home on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Teachers have worked extremely hard this term to assess student achievement and report student progress accordingly. Although we had our parent/teacher interviews at the start of the term, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions.

### New Stage Curtains

Our new stage curtains look amazing. I would like to thank the P&C and in particular Belinda Schuster for arranging this. The curtains were jointly funded by the P&C and a Federal government community grant.

### National Consistent Collection of Data - NCCD

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on school students with disability (NCCD) uses a model that draws on teachers' professional judgement and practices throughout the year supporting students with disability to access and participate in education. In our school, students are provided with Personalised Learning Plans- PLP's and Accommodations in class and in the playground to support their learning and interaction needs.

Each year in August, principals will verify data about students in their school receiving adjustments because of disability, based on evidences in the school. All Australian schools are required to participate each year in the NCCD. The national data collection will provide governments with greater insight into to students with disability in Australian schools, where they are located and the level of adjustments provided for them.

If you do not want your child's data to be used in the data collection, please contact the school office.

### Recognition Assembly

Due to Year 5 and 6 being away on camp, the Term 2 Recognition Assembly will be on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of July at 9:30am.

## CALENDAR

### TERM 2

#### Week 10

Tuesday 2 July	Milson Island Camp (all week)
Wednesday 3 July	K-2 Footsteps
Thursday 4 July	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am
	Uniform Shop Open 6-7pm
Friday 5 July	NO PSSA Sport (due to camp)
	Last Day of Term

### TERM 3

#### Week 1

Monday 22 July	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 23 July	Student Return to School
Wednesday 24 July	Kindy Excursion – Calmsley Farm
	3-6 Footsteps
	Banking Starts
	Y6 – Interrelate Sessions
	Primary Choir Rehearsals
Thursday 25 July	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am
	K-2 Footsteps catch-up lesson
Friday 26 July	Debating

#### Week 2

Monday 29 July	Last Term's K-2 Recognition Assembly
	9.30am Principal's Morning Tea
Tuesday 30 July	Reach English Competition
Wednesday 31 July	3-6 Footsteps
	Debating
	Y6 – Interrelate Incursion
Thursday 1 August	3-6 Assembly
	Uniform Shop Open 8.40am
	Uniform Shop Open 6-7pm

## WHAT'S DUE?

Wednesday 24 July	Final Balance "ZooSnoo" Excursion
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## ACCOMPANYING NOTES

- Term 3 Calendar – 2019
- Education Week 2019

### Community News

- Winston Hills Cricket Club Registration
- Winston Hills Netball Club

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL Cont...

### Thank You Email

Last week I received a very pleasant email from the manager at Rouse Hill Town Centre McDonald's. It was to congratulate the students for their beautiful manners. Well done to 4-6V for doing a great job of representing the school.

### Kindergarten Enrolments for 2020

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. Information about orientation will be going out next term.

### Parents Information Session- Mathematics

Three information sessions around how Mathematics is taught will be held next term. Details will be sent out early next term.

### Multicultural Public Speaking

A big congratulations to Austin Stewart, Ben Redwood, Matilda Webb and Geraldine Khuu who represented the school last week in the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition. They all did an outstanding job representing our school and should be proud.



### New Wheelchair Access

A new 'drop off area' for students in wheel chairs has been completed in the staff carpark. To ensure the safety of students, I would like to remind parents that this area is not for public use.

**Mark Byrne**

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## FROM THE DEPUTY

### Dance-a-thon 2019

A huge thank you to our amazing P&C Fundraising Team and all the parent helpers that assisted on the day. It sure made the Dance-a-thon run smoothly. It was great to see that the Dance-a-thon was enjoyed by all the students, including some teachers and even the parents. Again, another very successful Dance-a-thon!



Dance-a-thon money is now due. Please send money in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name and class to the school office. Thank you to all the students who have already brought in their Dance-a-thon money so promptly. Don't forget.... Your child's class could win a PIZZA PARTY if they bring all their Dance-a-thon money in first!!!

### Model Mathematicians

Well done to Coen Green, Nika Zhou and Rebecca Dooley who have been chosen to be our school's team for the 2019 Model Mathematician during Term 2 at Model Farms High School. Our team competed fortnightly with other local primary school students, where they were engaged in fun mathematical challenges.

### Education Week

Our Education Week Open Day will be held on Tuesday 6 August. This day will include the book character parade and morning tea, followed by classroom visits. We will also have the Book Fair in the hall, where students could purchase books. More information is included in the Education Week note that accompanies this newsletter.

### Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

This fortnight's PBL focus is about being responsible, where students are reminded of the importance of following healthy habits. These practices range from washing hands to covering their nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. These practices are very important especially at this time of the year when we have had a large number of student sickness. Posters have been put up around the school to emphasise this fortnight's focus.



## FROM THE DEPUTY Cont...

### Focus Area for Week 9 & 10



I would like to congratulate all the students on their wonderful behaviour and hardwork throughout this term, whether it be in the classroom, playground and assemblies. I love visiting classrooms and seeing how safe, respectful and responsible WHPS students really are.



Keep up the fantastic work!

Have a lovely and safe holiday break and I look forward to seeing you all in Term 3.

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

## ASSEMBLIES

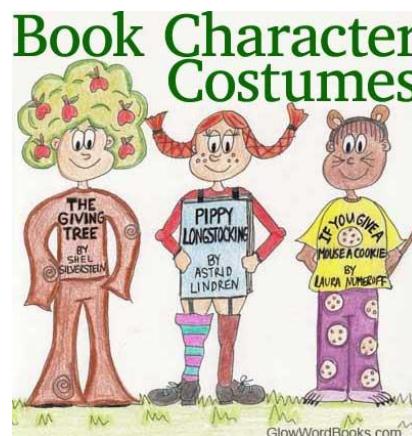
### **Stage 2 & 3 Assembly (Years 3,4,5 & 6)**

- Thursday 1 August – 2.10 pm
- Class Item – 4/5F
- Parents are welcome to attend

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

- Thursday 8 August – 2.10 pm
- 1F – will host the Assembly
- Parents are welcome to attend

## Open Day Book Character Parade Book Fair Tuesday 6th August 2019



Are you looking for something exciting to do in the school holidays? How about you get your costume ready for our Book Character Parade.

We also have the annual school Book Fair which will be held in the new hall from 8.30am – 9.00am and re-open after the book character parade until 12:30pm.

So lock in the date and please come along and buy a book for your child!

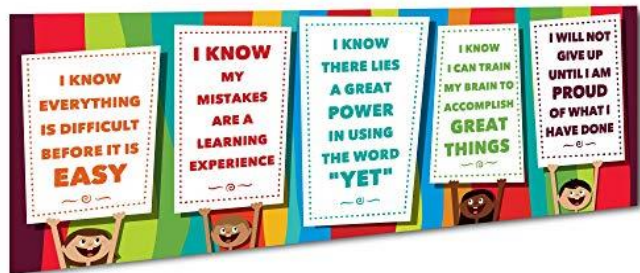
### **Cash is the preferred and quickest method of payment**

<b>8.30–9.00am</b>	Book fair in the new hall
<b>9.30am</b>	Book character parade (3-6 playground)
<b>11.00am</b>	Parent morning tea (multipurpose court) Book fair in the new hall
<b>11.30–12.15pm</b>	Open classrooms – K-6

### **Please note:**

**No payments are to be made  
online and at the office.**

## FROM THE CHAPLAIN



### Growth Mindset

This is the final week of learning how to teach our kids (and ourselves) about Growth Mindset. I hope the last four newsletters have been helpful for you and your family. It's not easy, but with a little practice each day, the rewards can be amazing. Here are the final steps of teaching a Growth Mindset:

1. **Praise:** Give your kids a pat on the back for persevering in problem solving. Connect positive results with effort, and children will be more willing to take risks and value hard work.
2. **Positive Reinforcement:** Create a simple game where they receive a cotton ball for practicing growth mindset. For every 10 cotton balls, they choose a simple reward, like playing their favourite game.
3. **Productive Struggle:** Grappling with a problem builds resilience, so give kids time for reflection before jumping in to help "save" them.
4. **Reframing mistakes:** Get excited when opportunities for growth occur. Create an environment where setbacks are expected and even celebrated.
5. **Hitting pause:** When frustration takes over, it's a good idea to take a break. So stop... take a few deep breaths and try again later.

For more information please visit [BigLifeJournal](http://BigLifeJournal.com). Have a restful break and take care.

**Kylie Isherwood**

## DEBATING

Our two school debating teams have completed 3 rounds of debating so far this year. Our Debating representatives are: Zach R, Geraldine, Alexandra, Indie, Kaira, Matilda, Albury, Jessica B, Rebecca D and Diva. They have been working hard and debated well during their debates.

### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May

Winston Hills Gold vs Yates Avenue

*Topic: That we should ban all homework in primary schools.*

(Yates Avenue – Affirmative & Winston Hills – Negative)

Winston Hills won this debate

### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Winston Hills Green vs Jasper Road Verbalisers

*Topic: That all school work should be done on computers.*

(Winston Hills – Affirmative & Jasper Road – Negative)

Jasper Road won this debate

Winston Hills Gold vs Jasper Road Articulators

*Topic: That we should ban people under 18 from playing online video games like Fortnite.*

(Jasper Road – Affirmative & Winston Hills – Negative)

Jasper Road won this debate

Winston Hills Green vs Jasper Road Articulators

*Topic: That we should ban car and motorcycle racing.*

(Winston Hills – Affirmative & Jasper Road – Negative)

Jasper Road won this debate

The next two rounds of debating will be held in early Term 3, with our two teams debating against each other as well as Winston Heights Public School.

**Kind regards**

**Miss Mason**

**Debating Coordinator**





## BAND NEWS

### WAHROONGA BAND FESTIVAL

On Sunday 16th June The children in both the Performance and the Intermediate bands performed at the Wahroonga Band Festival. Both Bands performed admirably and received great scores and fabulous positive feedback. Performance band scored 85.5% and Intermediate band scored 85%. A great effort kids!! Big thanks to all the parents supporting their kids and helping to make events like this one successful, it was a horrible day to be out on the roads and everyone who said they would be there was there so thank you. Wahroonga Public school had a great set up with food stalls and coffee vans on hand and the weather actually held off while we were there.



### Fees Now OVERDUE

If you have not yet paid your fees please do so immediately as they are now overdue.

## HILLS BUS TIMETABLE CHANGES

Transport for NSW will soon announce changes to the Hillsbus network for implementation from late July. The changes may impact how students travel, and we encourage students and parents to check:

**Transportnsw.info**

for details on these changes before school returns. Hillsbus will issue updated school travel advice sheets as soon as possible.

## PSSA RESULTS – Round 8

### AFL

No game played

### Football

Jnr Boys Vs Carlingford West Public	Won	5- 0
Snr Boys Vs Carlingford West Public	Won	8 - 0
Girls Vs Carlingford West Public	Won	7 - 0

### Netball

Junior A Vs Kellyville Public School	Won	7 - 2
Junior B Vs Carlingford West Public	Won	13 - 1
Senior A Vs Glenhaven Public School	Won	16 - 7
Senior B Vs Matthew Pearce Public School	Won	10 - 4

### Newcombe Ball

Juniors Vs Carlingford West Pubic	Won	63-32
		3 sets to 0
Seniors Vs Carlingford West Public	Won	54-52
		2 sets to 1

### Rugby League

Junior Vs Beaumont Hills Public School	Lost	22-24
Senior Vs Beaumont Hills Public School	Won	14-16

## PSSA RESULTS – Round 9

No PSSA due to ground closures

## PSSA RESULTS – Round 10

No PSSA due to Stage 3 Camp

*Melissa Johnston*

## P&C NEWS

### Hall Curtains

Last week stage curtains were installed in the school hall. These curtains were jointly funded by the P&C and a grant from the Stronger Communities Program (Round 4). Thanks to Mr Alex Hawke MP for recommending the P&C's application for the grant opportunity. These curtains give the stage a professional look for not only school assemblies and performances, but also for any community groups who hire the hall.





# 4/5F FAIR DINKUM FARNHAMS

