POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Last week the lesson focussed on being Respectful of property. To quote Lucky, “When we property we always use it in the right place and at the right time. We always ask before we use someone else belongings and return everything when we have finished, in the same condition it was loaned to us.

“This week the lesson has focussed on being Respectful of Yourself. Respect means to admire (someone or something) deeply, as a result of their abilities, qualities, or achievements. Respect Yourself means having pride and confidence in oneself and having a feeling that one is behaving with honour and dignity. Lucky says, “When you respect yourself, others will respect you.”

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Dear Parents /Carers

Thank you for such a warm welcome to Windale PS last week! I am looking forward to being part of the school and wider community for the next two years. Many students have come up and introduced themselves and talked to me about their favourite learning activities. Some students have started to bring examples of quality work to be displayed in my office and have been very keen to talk about their samples.

The fast pace of Term 4 continues this week with a visit from the Awabakal Health team running the L’il Mike Program in the hall this week. The availability of this screening check for hearing, dental and general health is a big step forward in Windale PS having access to an on site service, and we encourage all parents to take up the opportunity. Students returning completed permission notes will access the service on either Monday or Thursday this week. Students attending the screening will also play a range of games and be provided with a poster to colour.

Students are looking forward to the visit by Adam Drylie today for an Aboriginal dance performance and workshop, and Stage 2 and 3 boys will also have an opportunity to attend a mentoring talk.

I was very impressed with my first Windale PS assembly last week, especially the settled and respectful behaviour of Stage 3 students. They were excellent role models for younger students. I was also impressed with the numbers of students receiving
reading awards and congratulate them on their efforts, and also acknowledge that behind every successful reader is a parent or carer who makes the time for regular daily practice!

Kind regards

Jenny Crain - Principal Rel

CANTEEN

Canteen Volunteers are urgently required to keep the canteen open five days a week. Experienced volunteers are happy to provide training, so if you have some time, your school canteen needs you!

BIKE AND SCOOTER SAFETY

It has come to our attention that many students are NOT wearing a helmet when riding to and from school.

By law, ALL students are required to wear a helmet whilst riding to and from school. If your child rides to school without a helmet, their bikes or scooters will be held at the school until a helmet is worn or parent collects them. This will be enforced as of Monday 17th November. This is to ensure that our students remain SAFE whilst travelling to and from school.

HELPERS MORNING TEA

A helpers morning tea will be held in the school hall on Monday 8th Dec at 11am. Please RSVP for catering purposes.

Year 6 Farewell

Year 6 students are invited to the Year 6 Graduation Farewell on Monday 15th December which starts at 6:00 and will end at 8:30.

The dress code is smart casual, students need to be able to move freely and dance and not be restricted by their clothing and choice of footwear. The farewell will be held in the School Hall. The event is catered for by a catering company and students will be asked to pay $20.00 towards the cost of their meal. A DJ will be playing the music for the night, so make sure shoes are flat and comfy. Parents are invited for the cutting of the cake and the presentation of certificates at 6:00 in the hall.

Congratulations to the Pre-schooler’s who have been attending transition for the last couple of weeks. They have been enjoying spending time in the Kindergarten setting, having fun at "Big School". Another congratulations to the parents and carers who have shown enthusiasm and interest in coming along to the transition sessions to learn more about our school and the learning that happens in the early years of school. It has been a wonderful chance to get to know fabulous new and existing families, looking forward to another few weeks.

Thanks to all the staff involved in the Transition Program who worked hard to make this exciting time happen.

Angela Smith - Relieving Assistant Principal
MOVIE DAY
K-2 Movie Day will be held on Wednesday, December 17th. Notes will be coming home soon with further details and cost.

SCHOOL DISCO

Hawaiian Theme Disco
School disco will be held next Wednesday night, 19th November. It will be held in the school hall. Students are asked to come dressed in Hawaiian theme, although NO bikinis or bare midriff tops to be worn. Also appropriate shoes (NO rubber thongs) need to be worn for safety reasons. Parents will need to pick up and drop off their students in the hall.
K-2 at 5.30-6.45pm.
3-6 at 7-8.30pm
Cost: $4
There will be a sausage sizzle before the start of each session available for purchase for $2.

NUMERACY AT HOME MATHS GAMES
Dear Parents /Guardians,
Could you please return all Numeracy at Home maths games to school and give them to your child’s teacher. School staff need to check that the games are fully resourced and ready for the new school year of 2015.
Thank you for your cooperation.
Regards,
Mrs Angela Smith (Relieving Assistant Principal)

END OF YEAR CONCERT
The school will be hosting their end of year concert on Thursday 12th December. As it is such a popular event, we will be hosting TWO sessions. The first will be at 9.30am and then REPEATED at 12.00pm. You will need to order a ticket for EITHER session (NOT BOTH) to ensure everyone is given the opportunity to see their children perform prior to the event with seating limit of 150 per session. Below is a ticket request form. Please return it ASAP so we can distribute the tickets. Tickets may be collected from the front office. We will be seeking a GOLD COIN donation per ticket, paid at the door to support our students learning.

End of Year Concert
Thursday 11th December

TICKET REQUEST FORM
Childs Name: ____________________________________________ of class ________________
Total number of tickets required: ____________ for the 9.30am Session
Total number of tickets required: ____________ for the 12pm Session
Please cut off and return to office
3/4M brings art displays to life

It may look like your everyday display of children’s artwork but the super kids of 3/4M have created an interactive art wall using the iPad app Aurasma. The students completed a unit of work on the Mem Fox book *The Magic Hat*. They created some fabulous artworks and wrote and videoed these stories on an iPad. Through the app Aurasma, the kids then linked their videos with their artwork so when you hover the iPad over the artwork their video instantly pops up.

“The iPad has been a real game changer in education. No technology has impacted the way teachers teach and students learn more quickly and more profoundly. With iPad, the possibilities are endless.” Dr James Ponce

Come check out our interactive art wall in 3/4M!!
Milahah – Place of Fun

MILABA MAKEOVER
Milahah has continued to have its face lift, thanks to the generosity of the GPT Group from Charlestown Square. Last week, we had Breakfast Buddies in the playground, while our kitchen was pulled out and replaced. Thanks again to the GPT Group, the volunteers who weren’t fazed at all by the change, but most of all, thank to the students of Wonderful Windale. All of our Breakfast Buddies were well behaved, patient and helpful. The renovations are almost finished, call in and have a look, you will be amazed.

SFON
Active after School sports has almost come to an end. Not just for this year, but for good. Funding for the program has ended, so this will be our last term. If you are enrolled, please come along and finish our program with a celebration of 7 years of a fun, after school activity that so many have enjoyed. Week 9 will be our last week, keep an eye out for a big finale.

Mitji Ngwali (Little Waves)
Parent and Community Engagement Program Centre for Hope has been coaching and mentoring students at Windale Public School. Now we are offering the same opportunity for parents and community.
The PACE program will offer the chance to connect with mentors and coaches, other families, have some fun, learn and share skills.
The PACE Program is offering the opportunity to obtain a certificate 3 in Aged Care or Disability Services. See flyer for more information.

Stories in the Street
Every Thursday, 9.30-10am, during school terms, at Windale Library.
SITS is a free story time for you and your child, under 5 years. Stories, songs, puppets and felt boards are some activities you might enjoy. Come and enjoy the free WI-FI at the Library while your child enjoys story time!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Roselea – 49487786

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER - TERM 4
19/11 - School Disco
26/11 - PBL Showcase Day
14/11 - 21/11 - Kindergarten Transition
14/11 - Years 5 and 6 Leadership Day
19/11 - Disco
20/11 - Debating Gala Day
24/11 - Swim School all week
01/12 - Swim School all week
08/12 - Volunteers Morning Tea
11/12 - End of Year Concert
15/12 - Presentation Day and Year 6 Farewell
16/12 - 3-6 Pool party
17/12 - K-2 Movie Day

Notes and Payments to Return
Swimming must be paid ASAP
Concert ticket request form

Assembly Roster 2014 - Term 4
(Thursdays each week)
Term 4
Week 6 - Primary Dance Group
Week 7 - KE
Week 8 - 1/2 R
WINDALE’S QUALITY KIDS

Classroom Achievements

**KS**
- **Keely G**  An Interesting, well-prepared talk about Blackbutt.
- **Nadia B**  An Interesting, well-prepared talk about Blackbutt.
- **Tyrell N**  A huge effort in reading groups and story writing.
- **Aaron S**  Helping other students during story writing.

**K/1J**
- **Sharna W**  Excellent attempts to write more than one sentence.
- **Levi M**  Good results in reading.
- **Aleyah H**  Consistent effort and attitude in all areas.
- **Brock R**  Quality work in Characterisation.

**1/2A**
- **Lucien S**  Outstanding improvement in all academic areas and class improvement.
- **Steven F**  Improvement in achievement and effort in Mathematics.
- **Sierra H**  An amazing fractured fairy tale.

**1/2H**
- **Ange D**  Settled behaviour during writing this week.

**Robert K**  Consistent effort with his writing this week. Keep it up!

**Emily W**  Writing an excellent discussion on "Animals Homes" at Blackbutt Reserve.

**Alkira C**  For always trying to do her very best in class.

**1/2R**
- **Laykin H**  Always being safe, respectful and responsible.
- **Kyte S**  Effort in writing. Keep up the great work!

**1/2R**
- **Jai M**  Excellent effort and application during art.
- **Jayden B**  Writing a great recount about our excursion to Blackbutt.
- **Jayden M**  Welcome to wonderful Windale.

**K/1J**
- **Jamelia B**  Effort and improvement in reading. Well done!
- **Taylah L**  Showing excellent growth in spelling results!
- **Lachlan K**  Improvement in reading. Congratulations!

**3/4R**
- **Shakira M**  Consistent effort in reading. Well Done!
- **Adam P**  Enthusiastic singing and dancing.
- **Kaleb D**  An amazing improvement in reading. Well done!
- **Damien F**  Always being safe, respectful and responsible.

**1/2R**
- **Lachlan D**  Enthusiastic singing and dancing. Well done!

**5/6C**
- **Charlee M**  Having a gorgeous attitude at all times.
- **Abbey B**  Being a mature and sensible student.
- **Demi H**  Creating a beautifully illustrated “Dreaming Story”

**5/6T**
- **Harry K**  Independently writing a clever “Dreaming Story”

**5/6SF**
- **Kalleb P**  Improved work ethic in class this week.
- **Bryce W**  Always being respectful and responsible.

**Jacinta F**  Creating and amazing mixed media artwork.

**Jasmin E**  Creating an excellent Power Point presentation on ‘fun ways to recycle’.

**Olivia P**  Creative ideas in writing this week.

**Jesse K**  Excellent use of verbs in "Flood" diary entry.

**Tarni E**  Always displaying PBL expectations “Safe, Respectful and Responsible”

**Jacinda P**  Enthusiastic approach to our work on “Environmental Matters”