This Week’s Virtue is: Tolerance
Tolerance means being able to accept things you wish were different with flexibility and patience. It also means being able to accept differences between people without prejudice.

This Week’s Road Safety Tip:

Ride your bike in a safe place away from the road!

Principal’s Report
We are coming to the end of the term which is hard to believe. We still have a couple of big events before the end of term with our ANZAC service Thursday 10th April at 2pm in the hall and our pre-schoolers are going to Windale Library for the “Be Loud in the Library” event on Thursday, as well and our Easter Hat Parade on Friday at 1pm under the COLA. We look forward to seeing you at these events.

Our service should be loud and clear on Thursday as we are having a new sound system installed today.

The Annual School Report has been uploaded to our website and will also be on Facebook. If you require a hard copy please contact the office.

Students will return for Term 2 on Tuesday 29th April. We originally had two consecutive Staff Development days planned, but we had to cancel the training on the Tuesday. Next term we will be launching our Positive Behaviour for Learning with a community event. The date has not been set as yet but approximately mid May. We are also hoping to modernise our School logo and uniform and we will be having a workshop with our Stage 2 and 3 students to design a new logo.

Term 2 will also see a change in teaching staff with Mrs Jacobs from the preschool moving to KE, while Mrs Else fulfils the role of L3 trainer. We welcome Ms Partridge in the Preschool for the PJ group and Ms Wagner on Stage 3.

I also hope to have a working bee one Saturday morning followed by a BBQ lunch. This will involve some painting and a general spruce up. I will have to look at our calendar early next term to set a date.

I hope that everyone has a safe and relaxing break, particularly the staff who work so hard to support your wonderful students.

Rick Budden
Principal

Notes to be returned
Netball Term fees
Zone Cross Country
Term 2 & 3 Friday Sport—Football
Year 7 Expression of Interest—ASAP
Year 6 Shirts

Infants
Due to class sizes and structures, Kindergarten and Year 1/2 classes have changed rooms as follows:
1/2 has moved into the RFF room (located at the end of the Kindergarten corridor)
KS has moved into the 1/2R classroom
1/2A has moved into KS classroom
KE has moved into 1/2A classroom
1/2H has moved into KE classroom.

Important Dates to Remember

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Vanessa’s Message Stick

Hi Everyone,

Well the holidays are here! I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy and Safe Easter holidays! We will have another busy term when we come back with NAIDOC Week being held in week 8. In week 2 I will be having a yarn with parents about our celebration here at Windale and can’t wait to hear some great ideas we can organise for Our NAIDOC Day. Once again have a great holiday and see you in Term 2!

Cheers
Vanessa Edwards
Relieving Aboriginal Education Officer

P & C News

Our P & C AGM was held on 31st March, with all positions made open and available. The following people were voted in for 2014:

President: Larissa Williams
Vice President: Maree Crockett
Secretary: Cheryl Field
Treasurer: Belinda Hilditch
Canteen Supervisor: Ros Scott

The Easter Raffle will be drawn after the Easter Hat Parade this Friday. The P & C are asking for donations of Easter Eggs and Baskets etc. Please forward donations to class teachers or canteen for collection.

Pre-School News

The end of Term 1 has come quickly and we have been very busy this term.

Painting day for both groups were a wonderful success, thank you to those parents who attended and created fantastic artworks to be displayed in the preschool room.

PM children are looking forward to a visit to Windale Public Library for “Come and be loud in the library”. PM are also lucky enough to attend the whole school Easter Hat Parade on Friday. PJ children are also invited to attend under the supervision of a parent/carer.

Have a safe and happy holiday, PJ returns Tuesday 29th April and PM returns Wednesday 30th April.

Mrs Jacob, Mrs McKay, Peta and Nicole.

Canteen

Last minute orders for pies, sausage rolls and cakes for Red Day on Friday will be accepted at the canteen tomorrow morning (Thursday, 10th April).

2014 Book Packs

All 2014 Book Packs, K-6, are $40. Payments should be made at the office ASAP.
Stage 3 students have been enthusiastically studying Japan and its culture for our HSIE unit this Term.

During the Term, some of the highlights have been looking at Japanese cuisine. One of the most popular Japanese dishes, Sushi, was prepared in the classroom. Most students enjoyed trying the dish, although some found the seaweed taste not to their taste!

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WINDALE'S QUALITY KIDS

Classroom Achievements

KS
Nadia B  A wonderful class leader who always sets an excellent example.
Izack HK  Presenting two extremely interesting talks.
Tyrell N  A kind and caring class leader
Kiana Mc  Always doing her best quality work and quality behaviour.

KE
Cyrus D  Calm and steady approach to all work.
Tara G  Outstanding independent writing.
Aleyah H  Being ready and eager to learn.
Cyrus D  Being a focused and dedicated learner.

1/2A
Joel S  An excellent written conclusion of our weather experiment.
Sienna M  Improved classroom behaviour. Keep it up!
Brodie S  Enthusiastic rehearsals for our Assembly item
Lucien SM  Outstanding effort in guided reading.

1/2R
Jayke J  Improved classroom behaviour. Keep it up!
Jayden B  Improved classroom behaviour. Keep it up!
Laykin H  Consistent effort in all key learning areas.
Kyte S  Great imaginative writing. Keep up the great work.

1/2H
Brock R  Improved effort in classroom activities!
Kiesha M  Working well in writing activities this week.
Lochlain S  Showing improvement in listening during class instructions.
Joshua MP  Excellent handwriting efforts this week.

3/4D
Kiara D  Consistent effort in all areas.
Joshua GF  Being a responsible and enthusiastic class member.

3/4M
Malakai SC  Enthusiasm and eagerness in all that he does!
Georgia D  Improvement in reading. Well Done!
Makakai SC  Enthusiasm and participation in all class activities.
Shakira M  Consistent effort and participation in home reading.

3/4R
Xander H  Enthusiasm and expression in Reading!
Lachlan W  Enthusiasm and effort in Reading!
Adam P  Excellent effort, teamwork and skills at T-Ball Gala Day.
Lachlan F  A positive attitude and helpful member of 3/4R.
Hunter J  Excellent effort, teamwork and skills at T-Ball Gala Day.

5/6C
Leila M  Using beautiful virtues towards her peers and teachers.
Jayden KB  Having stunning manners for a casual teacher.
Lorien S  Working quietly in our literacy session.
Nathaniel S  Trying to behave in a more mature way.

5/6T
Emma H  Being respectful and responsible for a casual teacher.
Acacia J  Being respectful and responsible for a casual teacher.
Zane G  Trying hard to read the “Witches”.
Lachlan S  Excellent spelling in all writing tasks.

5/6SF
Kobie F  Being a caring and helpful class member.
Riley S  An enthusiastic class member.
Samantha G  Fabulous effort in Literacy Group tasks.
Keyara McD  Fantastic effort in spelling.
Lucy M  Fantastic leadership at the T-ball Gala Day.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

Week 10—5/6C
Week 11—3/4M
AN INVITATION TO PARENT/CARERS

Do you provide care and support to a Child/Young Person who is aged Pre-School to School Years with a Disability, Mental Illness or Chronic Condition?

You are invited to attend our FREE Parent/Carer Information Sessions

Where: Club Macquarie, 468 Lake Road, Argenton
Time: 9.30am — 2.00pm
Cost: FREE — Morning Tea & Light Lunch Provided
RSVP: Thursday 24th April - For Catering Purposes
Ph: 4921 4895 or 1300 857 776
or Educare-Admin@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au

When: Wednesday 30th April 2014
• The Impact of being a Parent/Carer – HNE – Carer Education & Support Program – Hunter
• Building Parent Resilience – Jackie Currey, First Chance

When: Wednesday 7th May 2014
• Siblings – HNE – Carer Education & Support Program - Hunter
• National Disability Insurance Agency – Suzanne Punshon
• Using Assisted Technology – Ben Coome, Samaritans

When: Wednesday 14th May 2014
• The Importance of Support Groups – Bronwyn Thoroughgood - Families Supporting Families
• Child Behaviour that Challenges Us – Craig Moore, Clinical Psychologist
• Discrimination – Your Rights and Responsibilities – Claire Williams – Anti-Discrimination Board of NSW

Respite may be available by contacting Commonwealth Respite & Carers Centre on 1800 052 222

Newcastle Permanent
Junior Ranger Fun Day

A great opportunity to have an exciting learning experience at Blackbutt Reserve where children can participate in fun and educational activities.

When: 11am - 1pm, Tuesday 15 April 2014
Where: Richley Reserve top flat (entry off Freyberg St)
Free Sausage sandwich for children only, $1 each for adults.
Drinks available for purchase.

Compulsory parental supervision at all times.
Children must wear fully enclosed shoes.
Blackbutt Reserve Office: 4904 3344
Email: blackbuttdominence.nsw.gov.au

Easter Holiday Activities

We’ve got your holidays covered!

Young Families Easter Fun Day

A FREE event for young families

Saturday 12th April 2014
10am - 2 pm
Speers Point Park
Lake Macquarie Variety Playground

Face Painting (gold coin donation) 10am - 1pm
Information Packs for Young Parents
School photos will be available early Term 2.

Enjoy your holidays!

School returns Tuesday 29th April, 2014