Dear Parents /Carers

Welcome to Term 1 2015

Seeing so many happy student faces on the first day back and since has been a pleasure! It was also wonderful to see so many family members present. Your support is always appreciated.

The staff have returned energised and ready to deliver the quality programs that we are so proud of at Windale PS.

We have a number of staff changes across the school for a number of reasons. We welcome Mr Damien Watson into the Stage 3 Assistant Principal position for this school year. We welcome Mrs Rosewarne into the part-time Learning and Support Teacher position. Mrs Melmeth was successful in gaining a permanent position at Belmont PS.

Mrs Stothard continues our Instructional Leader for the early Action for Success Initiative K-2 and Ms Patterson is working in the role of Instructional Leader 3-6 to implement the Powerful Learning, Accountable Teaching.

The classes and staff are:

PM- Mrs McKay
PP- Mrs Partridge
KS- Mrs Stokes
1H- Mrs Houston & Mrs Partridge
1/2R- Mrs Roach
2W- Mrs Williams
3/4D- Mrs Dugamanov
3/4R- Ms Riley

4/5C- Ms Carter
5/6T- Mrs Tonge
5/6W- Mr Watson and Mrs Robinson
Library- Mrs Richards
RFF - TBA
Learning and Support Teachers- Mrs Smart and Mrs Rosewarne
APs- Mr Watson Stage 3, Ms Patterson Stage 2, Mrs Houston P-2
Instructional Leader - Mrs Stothard, assisted by Miss Davies
Reading Recovery - Miss Avery
SaCC Coordinator- Roselea Newburn
Aboriginal Education Officer - Vanessa Edwards
SLSOs - Peta Lehman, Barry Williams, Darrin Sparks, Karen Tinson, Mel Wilson, Kelly Britt, Nicole Harrison and Sandra Cupples
Speech Pathologist – Megan Osborn
Office Robyn McCabe (Admin Manager), Janelle Hayman, Sue Selby,

Happenings

Our strong focus on our Positive Behaviour for Learning goals, Safety, Respect and Responsibility, continues this year. The weekly focus will be announced at a brief Monday morning assembly in the hall.

Assemblies will commence this Thursday and we look forward to seeing you there. From next Thursday 12th February parents are invited to join me in the Meeting Room at 1.30pm (next to the computer lab) for a cuppa.

Please join us at the P&C meetings on the last Monday of the month at 12.15 at Milibah, if you can. This dedicated group provides valuable parent and community input our school in a variety of ways.
Contributions to discussions and fundraising all assist in helping to meet our students needs.

Jennifer Crain
Principal (rel).

**Progress Report on the New School Logo and Motto.**

Slowly but surely we are moving towards the completion of the trademarking process. This process has been necessary to protect us from any other group claiming ownership of the logo and motto in the future. The solicitor carrying out this work has lodged the logo and motto in the public domain. The general public can now comment or object to the design and wording for the next six months. The solicitor does not foresee any objections being raised and has advised that we can go ahead and have the student polo shirt produced. Quotes for this polo shirt are now being obtained. When accepted the school looks forward to presenting each student who has paid for their book pack with their free shirt. After the completion of the public consultation period, the P&C will commence supplying the new style shirt through the uniform shop. We expect this to be late this year. Once the new shirts are in stock, a two year change over period to the new shirt will commence.

**Good Luck!**

Brayden and Jarrad, Riley, Hunter, Callan and Cade are off to Coffs Harbour to represent the Lake Macquarie Dolphins in the NSW Oztag competition. They will be competing over 3 days from 13 -15th of Feb and there will be over 4000 players from across the state. Jarrad, Riley and Cade are now at high school.

Kind Regards

Jenny Crain - Principal (Rel)

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**VANESSA’S MESSAGE STICK**

Welcome to another fantastic year at Windale Public School and a special welcome to all of our new students and families starting here with us this year. I am looking forward to a busy year jam packed with culture and sharing. If you have any idea’s or would like to be involved more in your child’s education please come and see me as we love having you involved in our student’s learning.

Please save the date, as this **5th March** will be our PLP planning day, keep an eye out for more information in our next newsletter.

Vanessa Edwards

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**BELMONT NORTH NETBALL CLUB**

**2014 REGISTRATION**

**SATURDAY 7TH FEBRUARY**

9am-12pm

**WEDNESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY**

4:30-6pm

@ Belmont North Netball Courts

next to Lenaghan oval

Net Set Go, Juniors thru Seniors

belmontnorthnetball@hotmail.com
**Powerful Learning, Accountable Teaching (PLAT)**

In 2015 Windale Public School is introducing and implementing a teaching and learning strategy known as PLAT. PLAT is an educational process based upon student performance against teacher identified achievement benchmarks. Individual student performance data is collected by classroom teachers and support personnel every five weeks and used to inform teaching practices within the classroom. PLAT will follow similar procedures to L3 which was implemented in the K-2 area of our school a number of years ago. The major similarities between the 2 are the five week data collection of student benchmark achievements and the three tiers of need. More information will be provided as we move into this strategy. As time goes by,

**PBL FOCUS FOR THE WEEK!**

Words alone have power!

This week our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus is showing respect to others by speaking kindly. Lucky Lizard tells us that we need to make sure that we are not verbal bullying people. Verbal bullying is name calling, insults or teasing. It can make people feel left out, sad and not want to participate in activities. At Windale we like to show respect to people by using kind words and actions, letting everyone feel a part of our school community. Join Lucky in using please, thank you and respectful language when at school.

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**Home Reading Roster**

Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 classes are seeking volunteers to be on a Home Reading Roster. This will involve the changing of home readers daily. If you are available please inform your child’s class teacher. We would appreciate your support whether that be one day a week or more.

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**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER - TERM 1**

10/02 - Parent/Carer Information Sessions
11/2  - Swimming Carnival
13-15/12 - NSW Oztag

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**NOTES AND PAYMENTS TO RETURN**

Swimming Carnival
Windale Public School
Expression of Interest
Norta Norta Tutor

Expressions of Interest are being sought for the position of NORTA NORTA Tutor for Years 4 and 6 Aboriginal students at Windale Public School.

Applications are to be submitted via email to roselea.newburn@det.nsw.edu.au by 4pm, Tuesday 10th of February.

Norta Norta provides targeted support for Aboriginal students to accelerate progress in student achievement. The focus of Norta Norta is to provide learning assistance in the key areas of literacy and numeracy to improve educational outcomes for Aboriginal students.

Applicants must demonstrate ability to address following criteria:

• Ability to provide support to targeted Aboriginal students to improve their literacy and/or numeracy achievements
• Ability to assist students to develop skills and understandings that enable them to independently participate in class activities
• Ability to work closely with the teacher to ensure the tuition provided is relevant to their learning needs and to maintain a structured timetable in negotiation with teachers to ensure all eligible students receive tutor support
• Ability to keep a record to communicate observations and information about each student to the class teacher and assist teachers as requested to communicate and provide feedback to parents, caregivers and community members

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply"

Applicants are to use the above criteria as a guide to provide a brief resume and statement (2 page maximum).

Enquiries to: roselea.newburn@det.nsw.edu.au
**Milabah – Place of Fun.**

Welcome back to another year.

**Jarjums Playgroup**

The first group for 2015 starts on 3rd Feb. Come along and have some fun and pick up some great ideas to keep your children’s active minds busy with reading, nursery rhymes, playdough and lots of craft activities.

We request a gold coin donation for craft items and morning tea will be provided.

**Windale Fresh**

Run 1 for Windale Fresh is this week, orders need to be in by Friday 6th Feb and delivery is on Monday 9th.

$25.00 for a washing basket of fresh fruit & veg. Good value, good quality, so why not order from us and give it a try.

**Creative Me**

Creative Me will run a little differently this year, our beautiful Belinda will not be running the group. (However, she may join in when she can) The time is still set aside for craft activities on Wednesday so if you have any unfinished projects at home and never seem to find the time to finish them, bring them along or if you have ideas that you could share, bring them as well. Come along and have a look and a cuppa. Wednesdays 12.30-2.30pm

**Eastlakes Family Support**

Eastlakes are running numerous parenting courses, Circle of Security, 1 2 3 Magic, Living with Teens and more, for information or flyers, call in and see me or call Eastlakes on 49439255

Roselea 49487786

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**Sport Day Changes**

Sport day for Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 classes has changed to **Tuesday** as of next week. (Week 3) Students are to wear sports uniform and appropriate shoes on this day. Normal school uniform is to be worn on Friday.

**Canteen News**

Volunteer’s needed for the canteen, even if you can do 1/2 day it will help and be more than appreciated.

Please take note of the new price list as some things do have a price change.

As of Monday the 2nd Feb, 2015, the canteen will be closed on MONDAY’S for recess. If recess is required it will be sent out with lunches. No ice-blocks or milk (summer only).

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Windale Word by Email:

I wish to receive Windale Word by Email

My Email Address is:

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Signature:.............................................................

Student Name/s:....................................................

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Sport Captains 2015

On Friday afternoon Primary students voted for their House leaders for 2015 the result are as follows. Congratulations to everyone who nominated.

Hunter
Junior Captains- Christopher S and Rebecca
Snr Captains- Adam P and Keisha S
Vice Captains- Lachlan W and Shontay W

Macquarie
Junior Captains- Caleb G and Matilda C
Snr Captains- Brian B and Allira D
Vice Captains- Brock M and Chloe B

Shortland
Junior Captains- Malakai S and Candace H
Snr Captains- Brayden H and Shallon L
Vice Captains- Hunter J and Kobie F

Primary Swimming Carnival

The Swimming Carnival is on Wednesday 11th February at Charlestown Pool, students will be travelling by bus from school and the cost is $8 which needs to be paid by Thursday. We are looking at starting the first race at 9:30 and will be leaving the pool at 2:00 to return to school. Parents and Caregivers are invited to come along and support the students and time permitting have a student and Parent race so bring along your swimmers. The carnival is for all Year 3 to Year 6 students. Please pack swimmers, sunscreen and a towel.
### WINDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN

**All Orders Must Be In By 9:30AM**  
Canteen Ph: 49487446 - 8:30am to 2pm

### SANDWICHES WHITE/MULTIGRAIN

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- **Salad includes** - Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Onion, Cucumber, Beetroot, Cheese & Capsicum – Pineapple 50c

### WRAPS - Please State Which Sauce Preferred

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### SNACKS - Please State Filling & Butter If Required

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**Lunch: 11am to 11:45**

**Recess: 1:40 to 2pm**
Theme: ‘Ozzies we are’

Hosts: Rick from Windale School and Steve from Mt Hutton School

Come along and have a fun night and support wonderful WICA at a trivia night to be held at Windale-Gateshead Bowling Club Friday 27th February 2015.

Cost: $10

Time: 7pm

(No BYO food)

Tables of 8-10

Prize for best dressed

Contact Sue on 0413904597

To book your table