PRINCIPALS REPORT

Dear Community,

Congratulations Hunter J for his amazing efforts at the Regional Athletics Carnival. Thank you also to his family who assisted greatly in making this possible.

We were lucky enough to have all year 5 and 6 participate in the Newcastle Permanent Maths competition this week and we are proud of all students who made an attempt at any questions as it is known to be particularly challenging. Thank you to all students for showing your persistence in attempting and completing this exam.

There have been multiple teachers coming to visit our infants classrooms over the last few weeks and this will continue over the next term. They are teachers from Wiripaang PS and Mt Hutton PS who are working together to create exceptional teaching practice and lesson creation. Thank you to all students who are being so calm and work focused especially when we have visitors in the room, also to Emma Stothard for co-ordinating this, and thank you to the Government for supplying us with extra Gonski funding to make this happen.

PBL is alive and well at our school. We have had a visit from the State Office and we are working with them to refine and review processes and procedures across the whole school so we can continue to stay up to date with the current research, policy and practice around keeping our whole school behaviour positive and focused. Thank you to the Department of Education for allocating us the resources to keep this on track as this is a program above and beyond the regular school funding.

Tell Them From Me - Survey
This is an anonymous survey where you get to have your say about the school and how you as a community would like to see it run. There is a link on Facebook or there is a link and password later in the newsletter.

We welcome all feedback as it is your community and children we are trying to accommodate and educate. This survey will be done twice a year to get ongoing feedback so we can monitor positive change and community needs. Students in years 4-6 will be given the opportunity to complete this survey in class.

This week we had Hayley J participate in the Reading Recovery Program at Islington PS. She did us proud, showing other teachers, with the help of Miss Avery, that she is a fantastic reader who is a respectful and thoughtful learner. Reading Recovery is also a program that is not offered to all schools so thank you Department of Education for allowing us access and funds to support this program as it has assisted many of our students in becoming motivated, quality readers.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE WATCHING YOUR CHILDREN WHEN CROSSING THE ROAD AND REMEMBER IT IS A 40 KM/H ZONE IN SCHOOL TRANSITION TIME.

Whole school fun Athletics Carnival
We will be having a whole school carnival on Friday the 11th of September. Parents are welcome to join in with their child’s class for the outdoor sporting activities.

Students will be having a Jump Rope for Heart day on Wed the 9th of September. All children will experience different types of skipping and skipping skills. We encourage parents and carers to assist your children by skipping with them at home to practice.

Windale Public School is a fantastic place for students to learn.
Windale students are Safe, Respectful and Responsible.

Amy Owens
Principal (Rel)
WINDALE JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

In games against Mount Hutton and Belmont North, Windale played impressively, showing the values of sportsmanship and fair play. Mason, Caleb and Malakai always lead this team forward, making great yardage with great footwork and strength. Jaxxon is proving extremely hard to pull down making many yards. Ben is starting to pull off the great hits in defence, tackling everything that moves. Morgan is another player making great tackles in defence. Lachlan made one particular long run after catching a ball under pressure and running within a couple of metres of the try line. Jayden scored a great try. Jayson and Brayden are improving each week and Seth passed the ball well to set up many attacking raids. Captain for the day, Jasmine E played well from dummy half. Jasmine K scored a brilliant solo try, running 40m through the teeth of the Mount Hutton defence. Big thanks to the brilliant coaching of Luke, Mrs Dugomanov and her offsider Miss Humphries.

A quick update on Mr Mitchell. He has unfortunately missed out on the coaching job at the Newcastle Knights. On better news Mr Mitchell has been appointed head coach of the Chinese Checkers team at Bydgoszcz (find that on the map) Population of 36 people, 3 rather unhealthy looking dogs, 2 cross-eyed cats, a hairless yak, birds of dubious quality and miniature elephants. We wish him the best of luck! He is going to need it. Hint: Take plenty of thermal underwear!

BOOK CLUB

The last day to bring in Book Club orders will be this Thursday, 3rd September. Orders will then arrive next week.

DEBATING

Our 4th debate will take place this Thursday against Floraville at 12pm in our Library. We would love an audience if parents or carers are able to come and support our team.

GRANDPARENT DAY www.grandparentsday.org.au

CONGRATULATIONS

Hunter J showing amazing effort at the Regional Athletics Carnival. Well Done!!

“This Week’s Road Safety Tip”

Bus Safety

- Wait till the bus has gone then use a safe place to cross the road
- Always remain seated when the bus is moving
- Always sit quietly on the bus without distracting the driver

GRANDPARENT DAY www.grandparentsday.org.au

Celebrate the role grandparents play in your life on Grandparents Day, Sunday 25 October 2015
Learn more at grandparentsday.org.au

COTA  NSW
NDIS INFORMATION SESSION

Would you like to learn about NDIS.

We are lucky enough to have Judy Webb-Ryall, coordinator at Stroke and Disability, and NDIS advocate coming to visit.

Judy will be holding an information session at Milabah-Schools as Community Centre at Windale Public School on Thursday 17th September at 10am. If you are unsure if you are eligible, or just don’t understand the whole thing, come along and have a listen, ask questions and enjoy morning tea.

National disability Insurance Scheme - NDIS
Would you or your child be eligible for the National Disability Insurance scheme?

Would you like to hear more about NDIS and who is eligible?

Talk to an experienced, caring and confidential advocacy service with regards to the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

Anyone living in this area with a disability, aged between 0 to 65 years is eligible for the scheme. Clients can access the service themselves but we have found that using an advocate, like our own service, is advantageous to the clients.

Our service will help you understand and navigate the specific details of the NDIS. We will work with you to achieve the outcomes you desire.

All our services are provided FREE. Your satisfaction is our goal.

If you are coming, could you please give Roselea a call on 49487786 for catering purposes.

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEART FOUNDATION

This term Windale Primary School is making our health and physical activity a priority by undertaking the Heart Foundation’s Jump Rope for Heart program.

Australia’s national physical activity recommendations are that children should participate in at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous activity every day. Skipping is a great way to get active, it can help improve bone density in growing bodies, lower blood pressure and cholesterol levels and help prevent against developing heart disease... And it makes for happier students! The Jump Rope for Heart program also raises important funds for the Heart Foundation so they can continue to offer this valuable educational program to schools and provide support, resources and expert staff.

TELL THEM FROM ME (TTFM) PARTNERS IN LEARNING SURVEY

You’re invited to participate in the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning Survey, designed for parents and carers. This survey complements the TTFM student and teacher surveys, which focus on student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices. All Department of Education schools have the opportunity to participate if they choose.

Why should I participate?
Parents and carers are an important and valued part of the school community. Schools can use survey feedback to make practical improvements and inform school planning.

What does it involve?
This online survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and voluntary.

If you have more than one child at this school, and feel that your children’s experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once.

How can I participate?
Go to the site below on your computer or tablet between 17th August and 16th October 2015. https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com
Log in using the following details:
User name: parent18560
Password: Win3893b OR
https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?
j_username=parent18560&j_password=Win3893
More information on the Partners in Learning survey can be found on the NSW Department of Educations’ TTFM website: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART!

There is only 2 weeks left of fundraising for Jump Rope for Heart! Students have been mastering new skipping skills this term. Recess and lunch times have been an obstacle course with children practicing and having fun. In support of the Heart Foundation, Wednesday 9th September will be a "Dress in Red Day" and students dressing up are asked to bring a gold coin donation.

The jump off will be held on Wednesday 9th September at Primary Playground. All money is due back to school by Friday 18th September (last day of term).
Milabah – 
Place of Fun.

NDIS
See attached information on an NDIS info session that will be happening on Thursday 17th September at 10am.

Supported Playgroup
It is a learning through play based group that will be facilitated by Samaritans. It is running on a Wednesday from 10am - 12pm. Everyone is welcome.

Jarjums Playgroup
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
Windale Fresh orders for Term 3. Next orders will need to be in by Friday 11th September and delivery will be on Monday 14th September. $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.

Stories in the Street
Don’t forget to join Lynda and Larissa in the infants playground on Thursday mornings from 8.45am, for stories, rhyming, songs and more.

WICA
The Green & Gold Markets are on again this Saturday at the Windale Gateshead Bowling Club. 9am-1pm. Lots of stalls inside and out.

For information on what’s happening at Milabah call Roselea 49487786

WEEK 8 TERM 3 VANESSA’S MESSAGE STICK
Wow! How quickly has this term gone by? With only a few weeks to go it is time to plan for Term 4. I am interested in any parents who would be willing to come along and share any experiences or knowledge about Aboriginal culture whether it be here on Awabakal land or from their own mobs. In week 2, Term 4, I would like to have a parent’s lunch where we can yarn about some ideas of what you would like to see within the school regarding Aboriginal culture. It is important that we support and guide our students with cultural history and knowledge as they are the future leaders of our culture.

I will email/post letters out during the school holidays with date and time also with a suggestions section for anyone who may unable to attend the meeting. This is your school and we would love to hear your ideas. Don’t forget that you can pop in to the school at any time and have a yarn if you have any concerns or questions regarding your child or our school. Thanks again for your support this year in my role as Relieving Aboriginal Education Officer.

AEO - Vanessa Edwards
(Relieving Aboriginal Education Officer)

ATTENDANCE AWARDS
Week 7 : 2W  Week 8 : 1HP

UNIFORM SHOP
Opening hours are now Thursday and Friday mornings from 8.30am– 9.15 am.

CANTEEN
Ham & Cheese pockets now available for recess and lunch: $2.00

NOTES AND PAYMENTS TO RETURN
• Year 6 Shirt order form
• Jump Rope for Heart Sponsorship forms due
• Centre for Hope Homework Centre
• Centre for Hope Flashmob

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER
• 03/09 Debating 12pm at Windale PS
• 09/09 Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off
• 11/09 Whole School Sports Carnival
5/6T Diamante Poems

Country
quiet beautiful
gardening walking playing
agricultural transport

nature dry
shopping working driving

noisy dirty
City

Name: Samara Scott

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Sunshine Ray
Shining warm water tears
Rainbows
Raining cold salt
Rain

Name: Tayla Bowen
**WINDALE’S QUALITY KIDS**

**Classroom Achievements**

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<td>An exceptional representative at Public speaking.</td>
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<td>Jayden B</td>
<td>A helpful class leader in week 5.</td>
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<td>Gypsy M</td>
<td>An awesome effort in story writing.</td>
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<td>Madison M</td>
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<td>Mathew L</td>
<td>Being a good learner and staying on task.</td>
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<td>Aleyah H</td>
<td>Creating an excellent scarecrow design during literacy.</td>
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<td>Tyrell N</td>
<td>For re-reading his writing this week. He’s a great writer.</td>
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<td>Benjamin S</td>
<td>Trying so hard during writing this week.</td>
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<td>1/2R</td>
<td>Keely G</td>
<td>Confidently presenting an amazing speech at Public Speaking.</td>
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<td>Lucien S</td>
<td>Always trying his best in all areas. Well Done Lucien!</td>
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<td>Sienna M</td>
<td>Trying hard to be a Safe, Respectful and Responsible learner.</td>
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<td>Tara G</td>
<td>Imaginative creative writing.</td>
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<td>Daniel H</td>
<td>Improvement in effort and results during Maths.</td>
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<td>Kiesha M</td>
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<td>Laykin H</td>
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<td>Seth W</td>
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<td>Angie D</td>
<td>Great effort in Maths using grams and kilograms.</td>
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<td>Ben T</td>
<td>Excellent work in times tables.</td>
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<td>Taylah L</td>
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<td>Stepping up and doing a great job in Senior Netball Team.</td>
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<td>Zane G</td>
<td>Excellent improvement in Reading. Well done!</td>
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<td>Paris S</td>
<td>Always being Safe, Respectful and Responsible.</td>
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<td>Great estimation work in measurement.</td>
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<td>Great work in Haiku poems.</td>
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<td>Exceptional effort in creating a well structured information report.</td>
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<td>Olivia P</td>
<td>Great artistic expression in creating Anti-bullying poster.</td>
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## Fair Play OOSH & Vacation Care
### September/October 2015 Booking Form

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## Hunter Academy of Sport
### School Holiday Program

**WHY CHOOSE 1? WHEN YOU CAN PLAY 9!**

The Hunter Academy of Sport is now offering a unique sports camp for boys and girls, ages 6-15. During the HAS School Holiday Program, athletes will participate in 9 different sports, learn basic skills and get a feel for a number of athletic activities from **nationally certified coaches**. 1, 2 and 3 day options available. For more information visit [www.hunteracademy.org.au/events](http://www.hunteracademy.org.au/events)

**SEPT 29, 30, OCT 1**

No.2 Sportsground · National Park · Newcastle West

basketball · testing · hockey · soccer · netball · rugby · cricket · afl · athletics · baseball · softball · touch · basketball

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