



WINTHROP PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Learn & Grow Together

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COMING EVENTS

Monday 16/2/09	IN TERM SWIMMING COMMENCES Years 3-6 Parent Meeting Rm 19/22 - 2.00pm—3.00pm Parent Meeting Rm 20 -2.30pm
Tuesday 17/2/09	Parent Meeting Rm16 - 2.10pm Parent Meeting Rm 2 -3.15pm
Wednesday 18/2/09	Parent Meeting Rm 15 —3.15pm
Thursday 19/2/09	Parent Meeting Rm 11/12 - 2.00pm—3.00pm Parent Meeting Rm 4 - 2.00pm-3.00pm Parent Meeting Rm1 -4.15pm Year 7 Councillors Leadership Program
Friday 20/2/09	Parent Meeting Rm 13 Parent Meeting Rm 14 -2.15pm
Monday 23/2/09	Parent Meeting Rm 17
Tuesday 24/2/09	Parent Meeting Rm23 —3.15pm
Monday 9/3/09	P & C Meeting - Executive Meeting at 7.45pm
Monday 23/3/09	P & C AGM at 7.45pm

VIRTUES

This term we are focussing on the Virtues of **Respect and Responsibility**.

Our first two award winners are: **Ned and Ruby** for taking responsibility and for keeping our community environment clean.

Year 7 Immunization

ALL children in **Year 7** have received forms for immunization. If you wish your child to be immunized at school, these forms must be completed **IN FULL** and returned to the school by **TOMORROW** (Tuesday morning) for collection by the Health Department.

ATTACHMENTS

- Kids Love Drama Flyer
- Asthma Awareness Policy
- Year 4/5 Recorder Note

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL..

I have been most impressed with the positive learning and attitude being shown by all students during the first weeks of school. A commitment to achieving the very best standards is a key objective at our school. The results of some of our ex-students who completed **TEE at Applecross SHS in 2008** is reflective of the strong grounding received through the education program at our school. Susannah received a Certificate of Distinction in Discrete Mathematics, a Certificate of Excellence and a Tertiary Entrance Range of 99.05. Susannah's results place her in the top 1% of all 2008 Year 12 students. Emily and Raymond received Certificates of Excellence having achieved a minimum of 10 "A" grades in Year 11 and 12 subjects. We are proud of these ex-students and wish them all the best in their future studies.

Gifted and Talented Programs— Students Entering Year 8 in 2010

Opportunities exist for students to access a number of Gifted and Talented Academic, Arts and Languages programs in the metropolitan area. All Year 7 students interested in applying for selection to these programs, including Perth Modern School and John Curtin College of the Arts, must apply for entry through a central selection process. Flyers are available from the Year 7 teachers or candidates can apply online at www.det.wa.edu.au/education/giftal.

Victorian Bushfires

Like all Australians we have been saddened to learn of the loss of life and the environmental devastation which has resulted from the recent bushfires in Victoria. Our school community will have the opportunity to show that we care for the people, animals and communities affected by offering our assistance. On Tuesday we will create a gold coins donation trail on the Victorian section of our map of Australia which is painted on the paving outside Rm 10.

School Leaders will be assisting children who will be called down in their class groups on Tuesday morning to place their gold coins on the map. I know everyone will want to assist this worthy cause. All money raised will go to the Victorian Bushfires Appeal.

Asthma Awareness Policy

Asthma affects up to one in four primary aged children. In order to support and assist these people to manage their Asthma staff and parent representatives have developed an Asthma Awareness Policy. A copy of this Policy is included with this newsletter. It is important that we all have an understanding of Asthma.

Class Meetings

All teachers run a Class Meeting for parents during Term One. These meetings are designed to introduce parents to the class program, practical requirements and teacher expectations. Invitations to these meetings will be distributed by individual teachers and detailed in our newsletter calendar.

Denise Hilsz
Principal

"We first make our habits and then our habits make us." Stephen R Covey

Canteen News



Roster for the next fortnight as follows :

Mon: 16 Feb Anita 9-11.00am
Tues: 17 Feb Vim 9-11.00am
Weds: 18 Feb Caroline 9-11.00am
Thurs: 19 Feb Grazyna 9-1.00pm
Fri: 20 Feb Caroline 9-11.00am
Mon: 23 Feb Caroline 9-11.00am
Tues: 24 Feb Bev 9-11.00am
Weds: 25 Feb HELP WANTED
Thurs: 26 Feb HELP WANTED
Fri: 27 Feb HELP WANTED

Thank you very much to the ladies who have already put their names on the roster for this term! We still need more help so please come and see us to help out when you can.
A reminder that Sushi needs to be pre-ordered on Mondays for either Tuesday or Wednesday lunches. Thank you.

Congratulations to

Benjamin who is in Year 6 has been offered a 100% academic scholarship and acceleration to Year 8 in 2010 at All Saints College in 2010. What a fantastic achievement Benjamin!

Neasa who competed recently in the State Little Athletics Relay Championships. Neasa gained a gold in the 4 x 100 relay and silver in the 4 x 200 relay for under 8 girls. Well done Neasa.

Parking

Please be aware that Council Rangers have been notified of illegal parking on our street verges, particularly in front of the school and fines will apply. There are signs which indicate '**NO PARKING ON VERGES**', however a number of parents are choosing to ignore these signs. Parking on the verges creates a very dangerous situation as cars exiting from the school do not have clear vision of cars travelling along Jackson Avenue.

Chinese Language Club

The aim of the club is to develop the student's knowledge of Chinese language and culture. We are in the process of reviewing the class to accommodate various levels of students. Mandarin (spoken Chinese) will be introduced to the beginners, while more advanced students learn both written and spoken Chinese.

Parents are invited to bring your child/ren every Tuesday from 3.15pm-4.30pm to Block 1 wet area to stimulate their brains.

The fee is \$35.00 per term.

Enrolment forms are available at the front office and in the class. Completed forms and money can be placed in the box in the school office. For further queries please contact either Sue on 9418 8875 (after 6.00pm please) or Brenda 0407 386 468.

Wanted

Thank you to parents who have donated some Chinese books to start a small Library. Books of any level (Chinese, used or unused) would be most welcome to enhance the collection. Please leave in the front office.

P & C NEWS

Welcome back to all families. Our new stage is a tribute to the P&C fundraising and work completed over the past two years. Our next executive meeting will be held on Monday, 9th March 2009 at 7.45pm in the staffroom. The AGM will be held on Monday, 23rd March 2009 and will include the election for executives and committees. We are hoping to attract new parents to nominate for the key positions. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Corbett Poynton P & C President

Wanted

Do you have any unwanted books or jigsaws that would be suitable for Year 2?
Room 13 would love them.

Band News

The Year 5 band will meet for the first time on Thursday at 3.00pm. This will be a non-playing session, so instruments are not required. Children will be shown their seating positions and learn the basics of band etiquette. At 3.20pm I would like to have a quick meeting with the parents. This will end by 3.30pm.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR SCHOOL

UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT –2009

YEARS 3 TO 7

The University of New South Wales runs Australian School Competitions in the following subjects, Computer Skills, Science, Mathematics, Spelling, Writing and English. These competitions are quite difficult and are geared for the **gifted and talented** students in those particular areas. Students can sit for one or more subject competitions. The cost of the competitions is \$6.60 per subject, except for Writing which is \$12.10, and Spelling which is \$8.80, payable to the student's classroom teacher. (can come out of the upfront fees).

Entry forms are available in the front office.

The closing date for the competitions is MARCH 27th 2009.

If you have any questions regarding the testing please contact Mr Sweeny.

WESTPAC AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION AWARDS 2009

This competition is also for students who show **above average ability** in Mathematics. Once again it is challenging and only those students who have shown excellent understanding of Mathematical skills would benefit from the test. This year it is open to such students from Years 3 to 7. I would encourage Year 7's with a gift for problem solving to sit for the test. The cost is \$4.95 per student, payable to the classroom teacher if you have not paid upfront fees.

The competition this year is held on Wednesday 3rd July 2009

PLEASE NOTE: Any money sent in must be in an envelope marked with the student's name, room number and the amount enclosed.



Friday 13th February was Winthrop Primary's first Assembly for 2009. We had a magnificent performance by Year 7 students from Room 5 playing Marimbas. The school was introduced to our Student Councillors for 2009:

Jemma (head girl)	Allan (head boy)
Breanna	Kenny
Alannah	Tom
Lisa	Luke

(Photos & Blurb by Akash & Jordan from Yr 7)



Community News

(The school does not necessarily endorse Community Group events publicized through our school's communication channels.)

KARDINYA JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Registration Day is on Sunday 22nd February 2009 at Morris Buzzacott Reserve from 10.00am—1.00pm.

Boys & girls are welcome.

Age—from Pre-primary upwards.

Please call Garry Knight on 0400 115 917 with any queries.

PALMYRA RUGBY CLUB

75th Anniversary in 2009

Junior teams from Under 6 to Under 16's. Great coaching and first class facilities at Tompkins Park, Alfred Cove, off Canning Highway

Registration Day: 10.00am—2.00pm Saturday, 21 February 2009

www.palmyra.juniors.rugby.net.com.au

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Wesley South Perth Hockey Club

Registration Day will be held on Saturday 21st February from 11.00-2.00pm at the Joseph Green Centre Foyer at Wesley College. Registration is for all age groups PP— Year 12, girls and boys. For further information contact Phil 0409 954 943.

Applecross Calisthenics Club would like to invite interested girls aged 3 to 12 years to come along and join in the fun. Dance, act, march, sing, improve your flexibility, learn the basics of ballet and much more. Your first two classes are FREE. Classes are held on Wednesdays/Saturdays. Please contact Vanessa on 9332 0206 to find out more about the days and venues. Flyers are available in the school office.

Phoenix Knights Football Club

“Where the Kids Come First”

We believe soccer is the great game for all.

Every one is welcome

There will be a sausage sizzle on the day.

Registration Day Sunday 22nd February

Fees

Rooball ages 5 — 10 yrs-----\$200

Junior & Youth ages 11 — 18 yrs -----\$230

Social /Masters Teams -----\$260 (formed if numbers allow)

Registrations include cub kit, team photo & end of season wind-up.

We are part of the Cockburn Youth Active Programme.

Venue: Len Packham Reserve, Cordellia Ave Coolbellup

Enquiries to Maxine Brown — Secretary 0437 206090 -9414 6282 or
Shane Brown — President 94146282

Website: www.phoenixknightsfc.com

Perth Modern School Information Evening **Western Australia's only selective academic school**

Parents and their children in Years 4 to 7 who are interested in making application to Perth Modern School are invited to an Information Evening -

Tuesday 17 February at 6.30pm or

Monday 23 February at 6.30pm to be held in the **Perth Modern School Auditorium** Roberts Road, Subiaco Western Australia.

Parking: School basketball courts (enter off Subiaco Road)

RSVP essential: susan.kohlen@det.wa.edu.au or 9380 0560
(advise which date you wish to attend)

School Tours: Bookings and enquiries to Susan Kohlen

Badminton—Social and Pennants

Thunderbolts Badminton Club—Saturday 12.30-2.30pm

South Lakes Leisure Centre—South Lake

Coaching is available.

Badminton Junior Pennants—Sunday 12.30-2.30pm

South Lakes Leisure Centre—Team competition for young juniors which is organised by Badminton WA. Commences 15th March. Please contact Susanna Wee on 0433 457 571 for further information.

VIOLIN AND PIANO LESSONS

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