 Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to what promises to be a year filled with educational promise. I say welcome back however we in the office and most of the staff have been here for the past month getting educational programs organised for your children. I know also we are well into Term 1 so some children probably see the last Christmas holidays as a distant memory.

I hope the start for your child/ren has been a positive one as the welfare of your children is paramount when we are planning classes. We know that a happy child is one who is more likely to be successful. Taking that further, a successful child creates a happy parent. I have had a few parents see me about some concerns and I hope that the general opinion is that we (the staff) are open to having the difficult conversation and that an open and honest dialogue will help to cement positive relationships between the school and home.

PARKING

Please be aware that I have phoned the ranger from Stirling City Council on a number of occasions about the appalling state of traffic/parking at WJPS before, but mostly after school and have asked that they start issuing tickets for those who are breaking the law by parking on the southern verge outside the front of the school.

Some people have complained about the fact that there just isn't enough parking and this is very true. This school was opened in 1966 and most children at that time walked or rode bikes so parking wasn't an issue. When the school was initially built a lot less importance was placed on planning for parking. We have to work with what we have and what we have is far from ideal.

Anyone can see the problem that we have but it is imperative that we show courtesy to each other, we abide by the road signs and that we take the utmost care when backing and driving down the street as many young children have no idea about roads and cars.

BOOKLISTS

If you haven’t yet purchased the class work book/s that are on your child’s booklist can you please do so as soon as possible as class teachers are now well into their programs. Having all children with a book, while not disadvantaging your child, will make completing and compiling work much easier for them. It will also be a plus environmentally as we will not have to run copies off.

2015 Uniform Shop Opening Time

The Uniform Shop will be open every Tuesday from 8:30am - 9:30am only. Thank you to the volunteers who offer their time to run the shop.

2015 Contributions

Kindy - $50
Pre Primary-Year 3
1 child ($20)  
2 children ($30)  
3 or more children ($40)

Westminster Junior Primary
Calendar Dates

- Monday 2nd March- Labour Day Public Holiday (School Closed).
- Monday 23rd March- Combined School Assembly, hosted by Westminster Primary School.
- Thursday 2nd April- Easter Bonnet Parade.
- Thursday 2nd April- Last day of Term 1 2015.
- Friday 3rd April- Good Friday (School Closed).
**SCHOOL BANKING**

Learning how to manage money is an important life skill. To this end one of our parents has volunteered to run a school banking program at our school. If you want to find out more about this free service please come and see me. Good money habits start young.

**CAFE**

Our canteen has successfully operated 5 days a week for many years now. This year however, due to Year 7 students going to high school the numbers of students that the canteen caters for has dramatically reduced. This has meant that the canteen is finding it difficult to continue operating on a full time basis.

The P&C who operate the canteen and give all profits back to the school are suggesting that if patronage doesn’t improve, especially on Mondays and Tuesdays then it may need to close on those days.

We all hope that it doesn’t as they provide a valuable resource, both for the children/parents and the school. So if you want to have a cheap and nutritious lunch, then give the canteen some consideration.

**HEALTH CARE FORMS**

We will be sending home a Student Health Care Summary Form today for your completion. If you have already completed the form you will not receive one. All schools now have to send out these forms to be updated by parents/caregivers annually. This is just in case health circumstances (medication etc) have changed and, due to an oversight, the school hasn’t been informed. When you receive the form, please complete it and return it to the classroom teacher as soon as possible.

If any other details may have changed since you enrolled your child can you also please let the school know about those details (i.e. change of address, change of phone

**SCHOOL GATES**

A reminder that there is a no parking sign in the driveway on the school gate on Ungaroo Road. So please no parking in front of the gate.

Our school gate at Marloo Road next to the Child and Parent Centre will be closed at 3.20pm sharp every day for safety reasons.

Thank you

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**Year 1, Room 10 - Australia Day Sky Show Work**
Community Events

Disability Services Commission
Local Area Coordination
HOT SEAT

Local Area Coordinators will be available to provide information to parents/carers and teachers at the Child and Parent Centre – Westminster, 24 Marloo Road.

Our first three sessions are on:
Tuesday 3 March
Tuesday 7 April
Tuesday 5 May

Each session will run from 8.30am to 10.00am.

Free morning tea will be provided.

For more information telephone Lee Jones on 9440 4898 or speak with the staff at the Child and Parent Centre – Westminster.
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Harmony Day Art 2015

Zaid "Primary colours" y1

Amelie "Primary colours" y1

Devi "Harmony Day" y3

Lorenzo "Harmony Day" y3