School Athletics Carnival
This event is scheduled for the morning of Wednesday 4 September. Make sure that you try to get there for this fun day for your child. Our carnival has a “participation” focus and as such, factions don’t compete for an overall championship. We do award ribbons to individual children for races and team games, as well as stickers for our little ones. Mr Timms will have a note out to all parents closer to the date. Support will be needed from parents to present ribbons and help at the sausage sizzle. Please see Mr Timms for ribbons and Norm or Helen about the P & C barbeque. Your children are training very hard at physical education for this day.

Curriculum Incursions
I thank all of those parents who have so wonderfully sent their money in to cover the costs of all the exciting experiential incursions that have been happening over the last couple of weeks. We have had some parents complaining about the costs. I assure you that these incursions are very carefully chosen to match the activities being undertaken in class. The school has covered much of the cost through subsidy and the amount you have been asked to pay is well under the full costs. Some in fact have been totally covered by the school. School Council approved Contributions and Charges information sent out to parents in October last year indicated that parents could expect to pay “up to $80” on incursions and excursions (swimming an extra $45) and we have kept costs well under that figure. Those families yet to complete their payment, please forward them to your class teacher as soon as possible. I will be asking staff to follow up non payment.

Website - Have you had a look?
I have already had an enrolment contact from our new website and a comment from a couple of parents on the fantastic layout of the Westminster Junior Primary School website. Mrs Moran, Ms Turner, Mrs Walton and Mr Timms will be regularly updating the site. There are many helpful links and information already there but plenty more to come. Our newsletters are already available there. The web address is www.westminsterjps.wa.edu.au. Check it out!
Room 4 Assembly
What an awesome production! We certainly learnt a great deal about the bones of the human body. I won’t forget the question I was asked. Well done to Mrs Mathiasen, Mrs Ryder and their team. The children were so confident and spoke so well, displaying the superb learning that has taken place in room 4. It was also a delight to have our Education Support Centre students perform two brilliant songs! Well done everyone!

Swimming
Notes went out last week. If you did not get one please check your child’s school bag or see your class teacher. Places are filling very fast!

Attendance Audit – Next cycle about to be audited
Families of children who have had an attendance of under 90% in each cycle of 5 weeks will receive a note to indicate this poor level of attendance to the parents/carers. (Prolonged levels at this rate means your child would miss over a year of schooling in their school life. As you can see that is critical!) Notes will be sent out soon to families where attendance is unsatisfactory. Thank you to all the parents who have ensured improved attendance for their children following the last round of notes.

Community Nurse
All local community members are reminded that the school now has a full time Community Health Nurse, Rosemary Austin. This service can provide all the functions of the nurses who operate out in the community for children in that 0-4 yrs range. The service is for any family enrolled at Westminster Schools or any family who resides in Westminster. For further information or to make an appointment please telephone Rosemary on 0400 825 618 or contact the school office.

Playgroups
Thanks to the hard work of our playgroup leaders, Child Health Nurse Rosemary and our Child Parent centre Manager, Julie McKay, we now can offer a second Tiny Tots Playgroup which will operate on Tuesday mornings. Megan Hill (Aboriginal Playgroup leader) and Deb Harrop (our Tiny Tots Playgroup leader) lead our highly successful and important service to our whole school community. Please see the office for further details.

School Contributions 2013
These contribution amounts are set by your School Council have not increased for 4 years. The money helps provide important resources for your child. Thank you to all of our wonderful parents who have already paid their School Voluntary Contributions for those who have yet to pay, we would appreciate your support as soon as possible. These monies go to supporting the purchase of equipment to benefit your children.

2013 Contributions

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Thanks to support from Westminster IGA we are hoping to be able to offer two shopping vouchers (amounts to be advised) as raffle prizes for all who pay these fees.

Peter Mulcahy
Principal
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Westminster JPS Reminder Dates

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P & C News

**What’s on in September?**

**Sports Carnivals Sausage Sizzles:**

**Junior School - Wednesday 4th September**

To coincide with the Westminster Schools Athletics Carnivals on Wednesday 4th September and Friday 6th September, the P&C will be having a sausage sizzle commencing 9.30am on each day. The cost of the sausage sizzle will be $2.50. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Please note that the Canteen will also be open during these events.

**Federal Election Sausage Sizzle - Saturday 7th September**

To coincide with the upcoming Federal Election, on Saturday 7th September, the P&C will be having a sausage sizzle outside the Primary School Library between 8.00am to 4.00pm. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Please let Mr Norm Gibbons know if you can spare an hour or two.

**P & C Meeting - Monday 9th September**

Starting at 7.00pm and ending around 8.30pm in the Westminster Junior School staff room. Come along and show your support.

**Footy Finals Fever Day – Date to be advised**

Watch this space!

**Uniform Shop:**

On Friday 6th September the Uniform Shop WILL NOT be open, as our Uniform co-ordinator Mr Norm Gibbons will be extremely busy with the Sausage Sizzle. Unless there are volunteers to help at the Uniform Shop, it will remain closed for the duration of the Sports Carnival. We apologise for the inconvenience, but if you need items they can be purchased on Friday 23rd August.

Helen Notis
P & C President