Westminster JPS Finalists - WA Education Awards  
All the judging panels have completed their visits for the three categories in which Westminster Junior Primary School is a finalist. I want to thank all of the parents and community who came in and met panels. Thanks also to our wonderful staff who showcased what we do at this superb school brilliantly. The awards are announced on 2 December. I wish all finalists well. Remember to make the final is an incredible effort as these are Statewide awards open to the over 800 schools in W.A.

Triple P Parenting Programme  
Thanks to the parents in this term’s session for your magnificent contributions last week. I look forward to seeing you all for session two tonight.

1. We will be conducting a second of the full 4 week course early in 2014 as the response form parents was so overwhelming.
2. The first of the 1 ½ hr seminar series for Kindergarten parents, being run through our Child and Parent Centre, is on 29 November. We want ALL of our new Kindy parents to complete this series. Sessions two and three will be run early in 2014

Room 9 Assembly  
Well done to Mrs Keen and her wonderful room 9 students on their last assembly.

Enrolments - 2014 Planning  
It is critical that we have accurate enrolment numbers for next year. As you have read in the media there have been significant changes to the way all schools are resourced next year. More than ever we need accurate numbers to plan for your children's needs. For ALL FAMILIES: Please complete the tear off slip later in this newsletter to indicate what your plans are for next year and return to your current class teacher by next Monday 4 November 2014

We Desperately Need Your Help  
As part of our garden programme, we are purchasing a new storage shed. It is being placed exactly where our big pile of mulch currently sits. Our gardeners cannot move all that mulch by the time needed. If you can give up some time in the next week to shovel some mulch, please complete the attached tear off slip and return it to the office. Even an hour would help!

I am returning to Westminster Junior Primary in 2014

Name_________________ Year______ Room______

I am NOT Returning in 2014

Name_________________ Year______ Room______

MULCH REMOVAL VOLUNTEERS I am able to come and help after 10am on

Thur 31st October □ Tues 5th Nov □ Wed 6th Nov □ Thu 7th Nov  □

Name_________________________________________ Contact Phone Number __________________________

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Website - Have you had a look?
The Westminster Junior Primary School website continues to grow with new additions happening all the time. 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 will all be available there. The web address is www.westminsterjps.wa.edu.au Have a look at the literacy through music link.

Pyjama Day for Poverty
Thanks to all the students, staff and community who supported this event last Friday. The school raised awareness of poverty through the fundraising and community morning tea. Well done to Mrs Walton and Mrs McKay (Child and Parent Centre manager) for organising the day. Funds raised go to The Smith Family who support families in need in our area. The day was very successful!

Chaplain Community Survey
Last week I sent a survey out to all parents about your views on the role played by Mrs Earle, our school chaplain. Funding for this programme is under review and I desperately need your opinions so I can include them in our planning for 2014 on. Please get any forms that you have completed to me by Monday. Thanks to families who already have returned their forms.

Community Nurse
All local community members are reminded that the school now has a full time Community Child 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 reside in Westminster. For further information or to make an appointment please telephone Rosemary on 0400 825 618 or contact the school office. Please note that this service does not replace normal screening completed by our school health nurse Paula Hahnel.

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
K $40 ($10 per term)
PP $20
Yr 1-3 1 child ($15), 2 children ($20), 3 or more children ($25)

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.

Swimming and Water Safety
Interim Swimming and VacSwim - learning lifestyle enhancing skills

Vacswim December/January Programs
Brochures are with this newsletter, you can enrol online www.det.wa.edu.au/swimming

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Westminster JPS Reminder Dates

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P & C News

The P&C are proud to acknowledge Westminster Junior Primary School as one of the finalists for the Primary School of the Year category in the 2013 WA Education Awards. We also congratulate Mr Peter Mulcahy on his nomination for Principal of the Year and Mrs Sharon Walton for being a finalist for Primary School Teacher of the Year. The judging panel have interviewed the Westminster Community and we hope that our testimonials will impact their final decisions!

The Westminster Schools Combined Art Show is once again scheduled for week 6. The P&C are keen to partake in the event, but as yet details have not been finalised on what we plan to do. We would though encourage the Community to take the opportunity to come down to the undercover area and view the magnificent artwork that our children have created during the year. This is a spectacular event and well worth the time to marvel at the children’s artistic talents.

P & C Meeting – Monday 11th November

Starting at 7.00pm and ending around 8.00pm. The meeting will be held at the Westminster Junior Primary School Staff room. All welcome, so come along and have your say.
There appears to be interest for the P&C to organise another “Market Day/Car Boot Sale” in Term 4. A tentative date has been set for **Sunday 8th December** between 9.00am – 12.00pm. If you are interested, please contact Helen on 0418 911 034.

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

The last P&C Meeting for 2013 will be held on Monday starting at 7.00pm and ending around 9.00pm in the Westminster Junior School staff room. Come along and show your support.

**Bunnings Sausage Sizzle – Sunday 22nd December**

The P&C will be organising an end of year fundraising **Sausage Sizzle** at the Balcatta Bunnings Warehouse on **Sunday 22nd December** between 7.00am to 5.00pm. For this event to be successful, we need volunteers. If you are able to assist on the day please contact Norm Gibbons or Helen Notis on 0418 911 034.

**Uniform Shop:**

The **Clearance Sale on girls SKORTS & SPORTS SKIRTS** will continue every Friday morning between 8.30am – 9.30 am until all stock is sold. The cost of these items has been drastically reduced to **$10.00** each.

**Canteen:**

Open Monday – Friday. Parents and caregivers please encourage your children to purchase good healthy food from our canteen rather than buying unhealthy food and drinks from elsewhere.

**Helen Notis – President P & C**

**ESC**

The students from ESC are participating in the Healthy foods program. They are learning about healthy foods and healthy snacks. They made Apple pancakes and shared them with their Kindy friends from Kalari. We also welcome our new students, Trint Enkel in Year 3 and Christian Menna in Kindy.