



Willowmavin Primary School

Newsletter: 14

27th May 2015

Student of the Week (Friday 22nd May)

Prep - Beau Kemp for excellent effort in writing.

Grade 1/2— Harry Cornfoot for excellent persistence with his reading.

Grade 2/3— Connor Hemphill for a fantastic effort in reading.

Grade 4/5/6R— Darcy Christie for brilliant reading skills.

Grade 4/5/6H— Lucas Cannizzo for achieving excellence in reading.

Reading Awards 2015

25 Nights: Ella R

50 Nights:

75 Nights: Kiarna

100 Nights: Kymberley, Archie, Jack K

125 Nights:

150 Nights:

175 Nights:

200 Nights:



HAVE YOU HEARD YOUR CHILD READ TODAY?

House Totals

HISCOCK—2240

TOMLINSON—1636

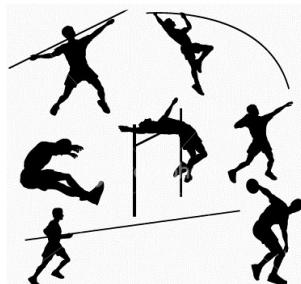
McNAB—1333

DUMARESQ—813

Congratulations to this week's winners—**HISCOCK**.

Cluster Athletics Carnival

Due to weather conditions last week our cluster athletics carnival was cancelled. This has now been rescheduled to **Wednesday 24th of June**. If you have not returned your child's permission form to the office for this event please see Lynda.



DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2

Term 2

Friday 29th May

District Cross Country
Broadford Motorcross Track

Friday 12th June

Winter Sports Grade 4/5/6

Wednesday 24th June

Athletics at Meadowglen
(rescheduled from 20th May)

Reminders:

Cluster Athletics carnival at Meadowglen, Mill Park has been rescheduled to Wednesday 24th June.

Asthma Forms were sent home for students with asthma. These forms must be completed and returned to the office.

School Camps 2015

Doxa Camp Malmsbury Grade 3

13th-15th July

Bendigo Camp Grade 1/2

16th-17th September

Canberra Camp Grade 4/5/6

23rd-27th November

Principal News:

Hi All,

By the time you are reading this our students will have returned from their excursion to Melbourne. This is the latest in what has been a busy and stimulating series of experiences for our students. While these will continue for the remainder of the year, they will be less frequent in Term 3 as students intensify their focus on our core learning areas. Our school is in an excellent position to support students to further and consolidate their learning making the most of established routines, robust practises and differentiated targets. While the year is busy from start to finish we are now well into that part of the year when students are deeply engaged with their learning. Next week you will be offered the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher before the end of term to discuss student progress, the next pieces of learning that are planned for your child and critically how you are able to support this. I urge you to take up this opportunity to conference with your child's teacher.

Reports will be available on the 17th June and will contain information that is meant to both inform and assist. I am aware that this may not be happening in as meaningful a way as intended and will provide parents with the opportunity, in the form of a survey, to make comments on the reports; so that we are able to improve outcomes in this area. The survey will provide the opportunity to give feedback to us about the format, information and language that are used in the reports. Of particular importance to me is that parents are getting clear information about student progress. When you meet with teachers to conference about student progress please use the reports as a point of reference and ask for explanation where you need it to support you to support your child's learning.

Unfortunately we have had a report of a case of Impetigo (school sores). I am sincerely grateful to the parents who made this report and have provided us with the opportunity to alert you as early as possible so that you are able to be alert to the possibility that your child may develop this condition. If you suspect that your child has developed this condition please seek medical attention as early as possible. There is an exclusion period and conditions of attendance for students with this condition. If your child has had the condition confirmed please contact the school in relation to this.

Congratulations to our student leadership group on their management of school assemblies. Our young leaders are demonstrating confident and enthusiastic models for all of our students and the "tone" of interaction between students is of a high standard. While we have things to improve we are working from a "high base" in relation to this.

Also, congratulations to our teachers who make our school a place of learning where I can be confident that we can have visitors to our classrooms at any time and as one parent recently expressed it to me students are engaged in "active learning".

While there is much in our school that is good and some things that will shortly be great there is one aspect of our school that underpins its progress and success which has lifted exceedingly and contributes dramatically – parent and volunteer participation. To those parents and volunteers who are in our school in increasing numbers and with greater frequency; "Thank You". Your contributions are powerful supports to student learning that "make the difference" for some students and because of that lift the outcomes for all. Such contributions are a powerful demonstration of our school value of "Community" and the old adage that "It takes a village to raise a child". Thank you.

Regards, Don

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per Year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.

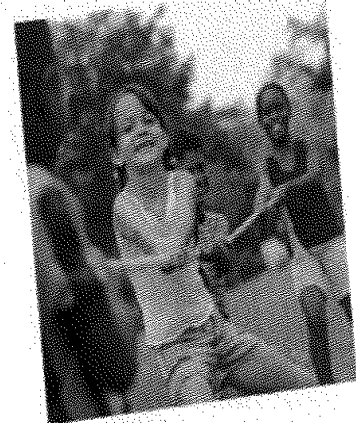
How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date

You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef



DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY— Friday 29th May

Students will be travelling by hired coach to and from venue. The cost for this sports excursion will be \$10. **Parents can travel on the bus for \$5.00 per person.** Students will need to wear their sports gear and bring lunch, snacks and disposable drinks in a labelled plastic bag to go into class tubs.



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Willowmavin Primary School Group page is now available to all community members. All members have to be approved by one of the Administrators of the page, we are very careful with who we allow access. Any posts have to be approved by the Administrator as well.

Regular updates on what's happening and reminders will be displayed on the page.

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Our preferred method of payment is EFTPOS, Internet Banking transfer or Bpay.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday 8.45am –3.15pm Lynda

Tuesday 8.45am—3.15pm Lynda

Wednesday 8.45am—3.15pm Lynda

Thursday 8.45am—3.15pm Gail

Friday 8.45am—3.15pm Gail/Lynda

Gail handles all Financial Matters eg. fees, excursion payments, Conveyancing Allowance

Lynda handles enrolments, excursion notices and general inquiries

Phone & Computer Repairs

Our school technician is available for in home computer and phone repairs offering a discounted rate for families of the school community!

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If you have recently changed your address, home or mobile phone numbers, please contact the office staff with updates.

It is extremely important we are able to contact parents or emergency contacts at all times.

Date: _____

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Please be advised that _____ was absent on

Reason for absence

Signed: _____