

From the Principal

END OF TERM

With the winter chills well and truly upon us, it seems that many of us are looking forward to the upcoming holiday break. The term has been busy with lots of activities, events and general day to day happenings. Everyone has continued to work hard with the holidays providing a well-earned break and rest. To finish the term, we will be holding an end of term assembly where we will be entertained by some performances from School of Rock. Hoping to see many of you in the Centre at 2:00pm this Friday.

Last Day of Term 2 – this Friday. Please note early finishing time of 2:30pm. First Day of Term 3 – Monday 13 July

With the commencement of Term 3, we will see several new faces (however not unfamiliar) around the school. Our first aid officer, Mrs Cheryl Campher is on leave and is being replaced by Mrs Heather Trengove. Heather worked in the first aid room last year and is familiar to many of us at WNPS. In Year 5/6, **Ms Julianne Haldon** has taken leave to travel with her family and we welcome Mrs Julie Schrader who will be teaching S4 during Julianne's absence. Over in Year 3/4, Mrs Sarah Pollnitz will also be away with M21 being taught by Mrs Giovanna Doupé. Our ICT teacher, Ms Rachel Mercuri has commenced her family leave and we have advertised the ICT Teacher vacancy. We will advise you of the successful applicant once the recruitment process has been finalised.

LOST PROPERTY

A final reminder to check for lost items before cupboards are cleared out and items either donated to the uniform shop or to a local charity.

STUDENT REPORTS

The mid-year Student Report provides an overview of your child's achievements and application to their work throughout the first semester. All students will receive tomorrow, their mid-year reports and we ask that you please take the time to carefully read your child's report and congratulate them on their achievements. The reporting process is extremely rigorous with thorough observations and wide-ranging assessments taking place before the compilation of the written report. I would like to congratulate and thank staff for the many hours of work they have contributed throughout the Assessment and Reporting process.

Opportunities to discuss the report with classroom teachers will be made available on Reporting Day – Tuesday 21 July. This day has been nominated as a pupil free day and students are not required to attend school. We do however require students to attend and participate in the interview in order to discuss achievements and set new learning goals. It is most important that all students and families participate in this process. Information regarding the online booking system for interviews was sent home to families on Monday. **Booking will be open from 6.00pm on WEDNESDAY, 15 JULY.**

INTERSCHOOL SPORTS WINTER FIXTURE

Congratulations to all our sporting teams who have competed in the winter sporting fixture throughout this term. Our teams and participants have once again conducted themselves in an exemplary manner demonstrating and exhibiting great sportsmanship through fair play and high conduct.

Tina King (Principal)

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Hi everyone! As this will be our last column for Term 2, may I take a little time to thank all staff, parent carers and children for allowing us to have such a fabulous 2nd term in Cool Care.

Even though it has sped past at lightning speed, we have been able to take time out with and without the children to reflect and evaluate as the weeks have passed. Parent/carer feedback and input is also considered extremely important. All be it our encounters with parents and friends may be short and sharp they are more often than not, invaluable. We are striving this year to further embed the children's planned and spontaneous requests and initiated activities as the foundation of our sessions. Cool Care has always been 'about the children' with 'fun and play' the forefront of our program. Homework, numeracy and literacy also form part of the education programs within our service as is demonstrated on a daily basis by the children's participation in a large range of many and varied experiences pertaining to these. Whether it be sorting and categorising through puzzles, working through word searches, tracing around number by number dot to dots or colour by numbers worksheets, the children are forever learning. As you will be aware, we encourage and guide the children through the development of their organisation and life skills as they plan and implement events for themselves and to share with their peers. Before care activities are often dictated by the limited time frame we have each morning. As all children arrive at differing times - some requiring breakfast and others not, we do not always have time to do as we choose. Some of our girls have made the most of their before care sessions this term, planning and practising a dance performance. A touch of gymnastics and cheerleading included, we were privileged to a display of their skills yesterday morning. It was choreographed expertly with the music carefully chosen to suit their movements. Well done girls, a sensational job done by all and a high level of team work showcased. Our girls have used their consideration and evaluation skills to choose the winners to their drawing challenge. The girls challenged their mates with a Beach/Sea Creature theme. They asked for lots of colour and imagination. I believe the entries presented followed the girls' criteria with brightly coloured beach and ocean scenes in abundance. To change things around this time, the girls have decided they would like to award a 'thankyou' gift to all the children that took time to enter their challenge. They have an appropriately theme based eraser for everyone involved! Nice work girls, very thoughtfully done. Prizes will be allocated this week. Cool Care will commence at 2.30pm this Friday. If the weather permits, we are planning a 'massive' treasure hunt. Pots of gold at the end of each

rainbow and many treasures along the way. Children normally on our Friday afternoon rolls will be expected at 2.30pm following assembly (unless previously cancelled). Please advise us if your child/ren will not be in attendance. We will be looking for them if they have not been removed from our attendance sheets and appreciate a call if you do not require care.

Enough from me this term, enjoy your well-deserved break from the trials and tribulations of school. Be safe and STAY COOL over the holidays! Jenny



Have you downloaded our new school app, called '*tiqbiz*'? The app is available on iPhone, iPad, iPod, Android Phone, Android Tablet and Windows phone device. If you don't have a mobile device, there is also an app available for computer, both Mac and PC. To access the app, you will need to download *tiqbiz* from the app store, register a free account, then find Watsonia North PS, and tick our school.

Once you have the app, you will receive reminders and updates on the latest news happening around our school.

When you are ticking the school boxes, please make sure you tick on "Whole School" **AND** the specific Year level/s that apply to your family.



DONATIONS NEEDED

Please help us raise money for iPads by donating to our school Trivia Night!!

- You can help us by:
- Donating a bottle of alcohol (must be within 6 months of its use by date)
- Donating an item we can auction (brand new condition)
- If you are a business owner: donating a cheque to go towards buying a big ticket item/one of your products or services.
- If you are a tradesperson: donating a cheque or some of your time to auction on the night.
- If you have a holiday house or stay: donating a night or weekend away.

If you think you can help please contact Maria Cogger on <u>maria.cogger@gmail.com</u>

or the school office on 9435 1285





PE & Sport News INTERSCHOOLS SPORTS FINALS

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to all of our Interschool Sport teams for an outstanding winter season. Our winning teams will now go on to Division Finals during Term 3 or 4. Also, thank you to our coaches – Mr Eastwood, Mr Moore and Ms Haldon for all of your work throughout the season!

SPORT

Football	WNPS	6	St Marys	50
Soccer	WNPS	6	Streeton	1
Softball	WNPS	14	St Marys	11
Netball A	WNPS	23	Watsonia Heights	10
Netball B	WNPS	13	Watsonia Heights	6

DISTRICT GIRLS SOCCER FINAL

On Monday, the Girls Soccer team travelled to Central Park Watsonia, to play the District Final, verse St Marys. After a fantastic first half, the scores were 0-0. With approximately 10 minutes to play, St Marys scored a great goal to take the lead, but the Watsonia North Girls kept working hard and with a few minutes to go, managed to score and equalize! At full time, the scores were 1-1. After 10 minutes of extra time and no more scores, we headed to a penalty shootout. After many tense kicks, saves and cheers, Watsonia North managed to win the shootout 4-3. A wonderful effort by all of the team! Well done girls! A BIG THANK YOU to the parents for driving the team and to Mr Whiteside for coaching! Trent O'Sullivan (PE & Sport Coordinator)



Another cold term over — then we look forward to an even colder Term 3!

The canteen **WILL BE OPEN ON FRIDAY** (last day of Term 2) and **EVERY** lunch order on Friday, will get a FREE FRUIT STICK!!

"SLURPEES" — ONLY \$1.00 ON FRIDAY! Have a fantastic holiday — see you next term! Cheers, Di and Karen



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CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATIONS CLOSE TOMORROW (THURSDAY, 25 JUNE)

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund is provided by the Victorian Government to ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important education and fun activities. The Department of Education and Training administers the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Payment amounts are \$125 for Primary school students and \$225 for Secondary school students.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or nongovernment Victorian primary or secondary school must be the holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, or be a temporary foster parent. Please download the form from:

<u>www.education.vic.gov.au/csef</u> or collect one from the school office. Please bring your card with you when you lodge the application.



Step 1: SORT!

Go through your wardrobes over the next few weeks and put aside any unwanted goods.

Step 2: BAG!

Place all the items into plastic bags.

Step 3: BRING TO SCHOOL!

Your unwanted goods can be brought to school during the week prior to the collection date or on the day of collection.

COLLECTION DATE IS FRIDAY, 24 JULY

The van will be at school from 8.15-9.00am.

We need clothes, footwear, manchester & accessories

Year 2 Gresswell Forest Fundraiser

The Year 2 students and teachers would like to thank you for helping us to raise money yesterday buying pet rocks, origami masks and animals.

We raised \$124.20 to put towards nesting boxes at Gresswell Forest.





If I could travel back in time I would_

Hey WNPS Google have launched their design logo competition for 2015. It's open to Years 1 - 10, so we thought we'd give it a go here at Watsonia North. All the rules and criteria can be found online at the following link

https://www.google.com.au/doodle4google/.

Previous winners and past entries can be found online as well. The theme this year is *"If I could travel back in time I would..."* Entries must address this theme. We will be running a short introduction workshop to get the kids thinking and sharing ideas: **Today 12.50-1.20PM:** Year 1-3 in the Library **Thursday 12.50-1.20PM:** Year 4-6 in the Library This might be a good little design project for the holidays. We are very excited to see just what the students come up with. We will collect entries around week #3 next term so WATCH THIS SPACE!!! Mr E and Ms Meehan



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9:00 - Registration | 9:15 - Chipping/Pitching | 10:15 - Morning Tea | 10:45 - Grip set up, Swing | 11:30 - Putting/ Chip n Run

12:15 - Lunch | 1:00 - On Course Play/ Rules Etiquette

3:00 - Finish

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For all primary/secondary teachers, trainee teachers, librarians and parents Don't miss this valuable professional development event. Enjoy finger food and great company! Come and hear Jane Parsons, Victorian Judge for 2015 Children's Book of the Year Awards, speak about short listed and notable books.

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MONDAY, 20 JULY 2015 from 4.30-6.30pm at Charles La Trobe College, 235 Kingsbury Drive, Macleod West. Professional Development Certificates of Attendance will be issued. For more information and to make a booking, contact Watsonia Pre-School on 9434 4767 or email:

watsonia.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

