



From The Principals' Desk

Dear families,

We hope you all enjoyed the term break and you're ready for all the events of Term 4. The final school term is always busy and the calendar is filling up. Willy Kids can look forward to school camps, excursions, transitions, as well as our Art Show and Colour Run.

Welcome to Willy Primary!

We are pleased to welcome a number of new Willy Kids and their families to our school in recent weeks- Suliman, Lily, Liam, Finnley and Alice. We're very sure each of you will settle in quickly and enjoy being part of the Willy crew. All the best from all of us at Willy.

Willy Kids are Sun Smart Kids!

Term four is a Sun Smart term and all children are expected to wear sunscreen and a **school** hat that protects their face, ears and neck when they are outside. Children without sun protection will be asked to sit in a designated shady spot. **No hat, No Play!**

OCTOBER is Walk to School month, a strategy promoted by VicHealth and very much supported by Willy Primary. It encourages primary school children to walk, ride, skate or scoot to and from school throughout October, to help them get the 60 minutes of physical activity they need each day. With our spring sunshine being a more regular feature of October it is a great time to start walking, ensuring a happy and healthy start to the day.

Please encourage your child to walk, (skate scoot or ride) to school every day (or at least most days). We hope that these habits will help build healthy lifelong habits for our kids and families.

Holiday works

Over the holidays we upgraded our AV system in the hall. Part of the upgrade included the installation of 2 new speakers outside the music room. Inside the hall we now have a permanent projector, with 6 new speakers around the hall. We are all very much looking forward to utilising the equipment at our assemblies, concerts and incursions.

On Location

On Tuesday, filming started near the St. Mary's gates for a brand new show for 2019. Willy Primary has a proud history in taking part in iconic Australian TV shows. Filming won't interrupt classes and no students will be filmed. Keep an eye out for updates on the next day of filming.

Divisional Sport Finals

This week we have 3 teams heading off to the divisional sport finals for Hot Shots (Wednesday), Basketball (Thursday) and Softball (Friday). We wish all students and teachers the very best.

On leave

This term we have a couple of staff away on leave. We wish Mat Montebello, Rochelle White and Tanya Cambers all the best as they start Term 4 a little later. We look forward to hearing about their leave upon their return. Andrea is also on leave this week and we look forward to her return next week.

Growing up in a Digital World

Finally, On Wednesday 17th October (next week), we have a wonderful opportunity for parents across the school and students from Grades 3-6 to take part in a hour workshop. This will be presented by the Alannah and Madeline Foundation through our eSmart program. Parents are invited to attend a 1 hour workshop 'Parenting in a Digital World'. The parent workshop will take place in the Gallery starting at 7pm. Children in Grade 3-6 will participate in a 1 hour session on the same Wednesday. The focus for the students will be the 3 C's – Contact, Conduct, Content. A gold coin donation is requested for the parent workshop. It will be a free incursion for the students. More information has been sent via a separate Compass post.

Warm wishes for the term ahead,

Regards,
Steven Puhar

Dates to Remember

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Week 1

Tues - Gr1 Incursion

Wed - Divisional Hotshots Final

Thur - Divisional Basketball Final

Fri - Divisional Softball Final

Week 2

Mon - Prep Breakfast

Wed – Student workshop (day) and Parent Info Session (Night)

Alannah & Madeline Foundation

Thur - Grade 1 Dinner

Fri - National Ride to Work/School Day

Week 3

Wed - Prep Fire Ed

Fri and Sunday - Art Show

Week 4

Mon-Wed - 5/6D E L Camp

Wed-Fri – 5/6B M P Camp

3/4 Woodwork incursion

P-6 music incursion

Responsible Pet Ownership

Week 5

Prep Transition #1

Wed - Prep Information Night 7pm

Week 6

Prep Transition #2

Sunday- Colour Run

Week 7

Prep Transition #4

G3/4 Cold Water

Week 8

Gr3/4 Cold Water

Gr5/6 Cold Water

Week 9

Willy Games

Week 10

Tues- Step Up Day

Thur -Gr 2 Incursion

Fri - Semester Reports

Week 11

Mon- Grade 6 Graduation

Gr 6 Celebration Week