PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

FREEDOM OF ENTRY PARADE

Last Thursday the school walked over to McQuade Park to watch the Freedom of Entry Parade. It was a very interesting parade to watch and all the students were well behaved. The plane fly over at the end of the parade was very exciting to watch.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION CLASS VISITS

This week sees the start of the class visits for our Kindy orientation groups. Group 1 visits will be Wednesday 29/10 9.15-10.45 and Friday 7/11 9.15-10.45. Group 2 visits will be Wednesday 12/11 9.15-10.45 and Friday 21/11 9.15-10.45. Our new Kindy students will get to experience what ‘big school’ is like and impress their parents with their art and craft skills.

YEAR 6 WINDSOR HIGH TRANSITION VISITS

This Tuesday is the first high school orientation visit for students attending Windsor High School next year. It will also be held the following Tuesday 4/11/14.

MILO CRICKET YEARS 3 and 4

On Friday 31st October selected students from Years 3 and 4 will be participating in Milo Cricket. The selected students will need to be at Benson’s Lane field at 9.00am.

BANDANNA DAY

National Bandanna Day will be held this Friday 31st October. We will be supporting this charity again by selling merchandise before school throughout the week.

Bandannas - $4.00
Pens - $3.00

Students may wear their bandannas on Friday 31st October in support of this worthwhile cause.

GROUP PHOTOS

Creative Art groups and Sport Representative photos will be taken on Wednesday 5th November.

Kate Ford
Relieving Principal
KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2015
We are currently accepting enrolments and enquiries for Kindergarten 2015. Please contact the office for further information.

HAWKESBURY COMMUNITY SERVICES CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Hawkesbury Community Services is having its annual Christmas Hamper drive to provide Christmas hampers to families in the community.
If you would like to donate non-perishable food items to this worthwhile Christmas appeal they can be left at the front office.
Items can include long life milk, custard, cream, tinned fruit, chips/pretzels, shortbread, biscuits, tinned ham, family lolly bags, fruit mince pies, Xmas cake, Xmas pudding, soft drinks and cereal.

Thank you in anticipation of your support

BUS PASS APPLICATIONS 2015 REMINDER

Year 3 2015 students with a bus pass are required to submit their new applications to the office by 3rd November 2014.

ZOO SNOOZE REMINDER

Please note that the final day for payment for Zoo Snooze is – Monday 3rd November.

YEAR 6 CAKE STALL

There will be a cake stall on Wednesday 29th October to help raise funds for the Year 6 farewell. There will be lots of yummy cakes so don’t forget to bring a little bit of money to school with you.

Any parents of year 6 students that can donate or cook cakes/slices/cookies please call Brooke on 0417232477.
P&C Meeting

The next P & C meeting will be held on the 3rd November, 7.00pm. All are welcome.

STUDENT BANKING

School banking is every Tuesday!
Please fill out your child’s deposit book and make sure the money is placed in the velcro section of the deposit book as coins are being misplaced.

CLOTHING POOL

The Clothing Pool will be opened for sales on the following days:
Friday between 8.30-9.00am
If you need access at any other time please ring Kylie 0416274804 or Lisa 0403015423
If you have any uniforms that no longer fit, please consider sending them to the Clothing Pool.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 28th October - Yr 6 Transition Program at WHS
Friday 31st October - Bandanna Day
Monday 3rd November - P&C Meeting Staffroom 7pm
Tuesday 4th November - Yr 6 Transition Program at WHS
Monday 17th November - Zoo Snooze Yrs 3 & 4
Tuesday 18th November - Zoo Snooze Yrs 3 & 4

The school office is open from 8.30am until 3.00pm.
Uniform purchases 8.30am to 2.45pm.

LAST DAYS FOR PAYMENT

Now due - Voluntary Contributions
Monday 3rd November - Zoo Snooze final payment

Payments can be made by cheque, cash & eftpos
Dear Parents/Carers, Your child has been working on an art project in their Art lessons. The artworks produced are able to be transformed into great gift ideas and will feature your child’s very own work. Each calendar has the one unique artwork and some stickers for planning your year. There is also an A5 diary or notebook, cards (pack 8) or iPhone 4, 4S, 5 & 5S covers, available for order. If you wish to see the artwork before ordering, you can come and see myself before school.

All money raised will go to Windsor Public School.

The final day for orders will be Friday 31st October. Once our orders are received it should take 2-3 weeks for them to be returned. All original artworks will be returned with products.

Thank you,
Mr Graham

Artwork Order Form

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Please return Order forms to the office by Friday 31st October
The power of the kitchen table – Parenting Ideas by Michael Grose

“It’s no coincidence that those countries with strong food cultures also have strong families. When people eat together they talk. You can’t help but talk when your behind is anchored to a chair.”

The kitchen table is a parent's best friend. It’s where conversations occur. It’s where thoughts are aired, complements are given and food is shared.

If you want to get a window into a child’s world then you need to sit around the kitchen table with him or her.

When I was a kid mum always made sure there’d be some food on the table when I came home from school. As soon as I came through the back door I’d throw my school bag in my room and come and sit down at the kitchen table to eat.

Mum used to sit at the kitchen table and have a cuppa at the same time. She always did..... or it’s seems like she did. My most vivid memories are sitting around the kitchen table with her.

It’s no coincidence that those countries with strong food cultures also have strong families. When people eat together they talk. You can’t help but talk when your behind is anchored to a chair.

People attach emotions to locations.

People attach feelings to different places. I’d like to think my family links happy, joyous feelings to our kitchen table. After all we’ve had plenty of birthdays, Christmases, fantastic dinners, big breakfasts and countless other gatherings around our kitchen table.

The kitchen table anchors my now adult kid back to their childhoods and gives them a sense of belonging. That’s why the kitchen table is the first place they go to when they come home for a visit. They feel at home again.

On my trips to England I’ve noticed that the English don’t use the kitchen table like Aussies do. In fact, about a third of English homes don't have a kitchen table at all. Many families eat in shifts and in front of the television.
English educators are concerned. They want their parents to talk to their kids more. They know when parents talk with their kids they enrich their vocabularies, and better still, influence their thinking.

They know that the kitchen table is a powerful ally in creating talk between the generations. That’s why they are encouraging people to sit at the kitchen table more.

The power of the kitchen table is immense. Don't underestimate it or underuse it! You can build kids’ confidence around it. You can build their character around it. You can build resilience too. Better still, you can build a family around the kitchen table and that’s quite a feat.

Making mealtimes memorable

1. Turn your evening meal into a night out at home. Once a week dust off the best knives and forks and set the table in style complete with serviettes and candlesticks. Try waiting on your family restaurant style and impress on kids that they can use their best manners.

2. Serve from the table. Turn a simple meal into a communal activity by putting serving plates on the table, and plating up from the kitchen table. Kids usually stay longer when food is served this way.

3. Any excuse for a celebration. Look for reasons to celebrate with a sit down meal where everyone is expected to join in. Birthdays, term break-up days or a great school report are worth recognizing in this way.
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