WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Windsor Public School

We can all be STARR students

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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

On behalf of the school community I welcome Mrs Knowles, our new School Administration Manager, to Windsor Public. I trust that she will enjoy her time here and will soon become familiar with her new workplace.

MERIT SAUSAGE SIZZLE
This Thursday I will again be cooking sausage sandwiches for the recipients of our Bronze Awards. I enjoy being able to reward our students for their noticeable efforts throughout the school.

SEMESTER REPORTS
This Friday, all students will receive their Semester One reports to take home. Having read and signed all reports I am pleased to note the many individual efforts and successes of the students – well done!

Parent /Teacher interviews will be held next week, with times being allocated by individual classroom teachers – these interviews are an ideal opportunity to discuss your child’s progress along with any concerns that you may have.

Mike Watson
Principal
Congratulations to the following students who received STARR awards last week. Well done!

KC
Violet Crofton  Talaana Gabriel  Anna-Lee Hitchen  Chloe Pike
Grace Vredegoor  Ryan Callaghan  William Keech
Swayzee Kennedy  Corbin Shearer

K-1F
Madeleine Macdonald  Lily Paraha  Anna Pugliese  Shelby Stanyer
Tommy Clark  Charlie Devine  Brody Taylor  Ruby Blume
Charlotte Bush  Lily Crofton  Cassidy Grima  Peri Kane
Stephen Radunz  Jack Stubbs

1-2R
Preston Kennedy  Marcus Mavin  Zak Oaklands  William Baldwin
Lily Callaghan  Jackson King  Devine Bloodsworth  Seth West
Jacob Simmons  Maxwell Pinson  Gracie Morrison

2W
Bailey Jones  Alexander Zouait  Shania Gray  Iris Miller
Melek Massingham  Cooper Harriss  Joshua Wade  Simon Su
Kendra Shuttleworth  Lachlan Kersten  Jacob Kent  Cody Sneesby

2-3B
Jordan Tolmie  Makaelah Simmons  Bonny Xia  Gemma King
Taylah Reeves  Ella Paraha  Oliver Macdonald  Mason Walker
Riley Taylor  Ryder Mavin  Ethan Hitchen

4M
Teresa Chen  Holly McInerney  Lana Stark  Hannah Taylor
Gemma Whitmore  McKeeley Whitmore  John Dorahy
Ethan Farnbach  Xavier Shuttleworth  Ryan Snelling

5T
Fatima Almusilhi  Caitlin Brodie-Davies  Sarah Dorahy  Tueny Xia
Katie McClure  Alexi Suela  Codi Hardiman  Matthew Gatt
Cody Maher  Darcy Martin  Connor McIlrick  Lachan Morgan
Connor Simmons

6C
Emily Brodie  Abby Galea  Rose Ryan  William Baltaks
Bradley Cole  Caleb Dries  Blake Hitchen  Kody Massingham
BRONZE AWARDS
The following students have been presented with Bronze Awards at the Combined Assembly today. Congratulations and well done!

KC  Jesse Blume     Talaana Gabriel     Jake Huttunen     Chloe Martin
     Chloe Pike     Corbin Shearer     Daniel Su     Jared Wesley-Smith

K-1F  Richard Baldwin     Ruby Blume     Charlotte Bush     Lily Crofton
     Peri Kane     Madeleine Macdonald     Lily Paraha     Anna Pugliese
     Stephen Radunz     Braxton Shearer     Shelby Stanyer     Jack Stubbs
     Brody Taylor

1-2R  William Baldwin     Owen Brown     Riley Cossins     Preston Kennedy
     Jett Mackintosh     Zak Oaklands

2W  Jesse Davis     Shania Gray     Ella Jarius     Bailey Jones     Jacob Kent
     Lachlan Kersten     Simon Su     Joshua Wade     Alexander Zouait

2-3B  Gemma King     Ethan Lewry     Oliver Macdonald     Ryder Mavin
     Ella Paraha     Stephanie Pemberton     Taylah Reeves
     Makaela Simmons     Riley Small     Riley Taylor     Mason Walker

4M  Teresa Chen     Paige Hottwagner     April Lee Laird
     Paris Mackintosh     Holly McInerney     Ryan Snelling     Seth Stanyer
     Lana Stark     Hannah Taylor     Gemma Whitmore

5T  Fatima Almusilhi     Katrina Maher     Reili Massingham     Katie McClure
     Connor Mcllrick     Lachlan Morgan     Taine Nolan

6C  William Baltaks     Sarah Benson     Aiden Brodie     Caleb Dries
     Blake Hitchen     Meg Leaman     Kody Massingham

UNIFORM SALE
Girls green pleated sports skirt
Sizes 8,10,12 & 14
Green sports trackpants
Size 10 & XS
Limited stock
$10 per item
ENTERTAINMENT BOOK
The new 2014/2015 Entertainment Books have arrived at the office, in these books there are lots of coupons to save you lots of money at lots of different places. The Entertainment Book can be purchased from the office for $65.00 per book. Windsor Public School will receive $13 from each book. If you would like to look at the book before purchasing there is a display book on the office desk.

Please be aware that the school office cannot accept eftpos or credit card payments for Entertainment Books.

Thank you for your fundraising support
The P&C Committee

CANTEEN NEWS
The Evergreen Café is our lunch provider. These lunch orders can be placed Monday-Friday but all lunch orders have to be in the tub in the office foyer by 9am. If you need a lunch order price list please ask at the front office or the price list can be found on the school website www.windsor-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

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:
Wednesday  8.30-9.00am
Friday       8.30-9.00am
If you have any uniforms that no longer fit, please consider sending them to the Clothing Pool.
Please ring Kylie 0416274804 or Lisa 0403015423 for other times
FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 25\textsuperscript{th} June  
- Cake stall 1-2R

Wednesday 25\textsuperscript{th} June  
- Snake Tails

Friday 1\textsuperscript{st} August  
- Athletics Carnival

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

Wednesday 25\textsuperscript{th} June  
- Snake Tails - $6 per student

Friday 25\textsuperscript{th} July  
- Athletics Carnival - $7 per student

Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} September  
- Final payment Year 5 & 6 Great Aussie Camp

COMMUNITY NEWS

Mind their &*%@! language – Parenting Ideas by Michael Grose

Standards may change, but the job of parents hasn’t altered. Teach kids to use language that doesn’t offend others. The message to get across to the next generation is – if it’s offensive then choose other words or say nothing at all.

What do you think when you hear kids swear in public?

If you’re like me, you feel decidedly uncomfortable when kids of any age turn the air blue with profanities. Swearing shows lack of respect for others and a lack of awareness for their surroundings.

Teaching kids to use appropriate language is trickier now than in the past. For a start, standards have changed where many words – such as the F word – that were deemed inappropriate in the past are often heard on radio and seen in mainstream newspapers. And words that everyone agrees are inappropriate are frequently used in public forums, to the point that the boundaries of appropriate-ness have become blurred.

Standards may change, but the job of parents hasn’t altered. Whether it’s teasing or swearing it’s all the same. The message to get across to the next generation is – if it’s offensive then choose other words or say nothing at all.

Socially-smart kids alter their language
Socially-skilled kids of all ages will adjust their language to suit the situation they are in. They may speak one way with their friends, but use a completely different vocabulary with adults. They are aware that what works with their best friend just won’t cut it when in grandma’s company. This awareness shows social acuity and a flexibility to adjust to different environments. It needs to be extended to all sorts of situations, including where adults and younger children are present.

They didn’t hear that from me!

What do you do when you know your children swear despite your best intentions?

Don’t over react. Try to work out its purpose. Children swear for many reasons, including to experiment with language; to attract your attention; to make themselves appear bigger or older than they are; and even as a challenge or expression of personal power.

Inappropriate language can also simply be a reflection of your children’s peer groups. ‘Everyone else swears so there’s nothing wrong with it’ is a common attitude of many children and young people.

Teach them that language may be appropriate in one context or be accepted by one group but it is not acceptable in every situation. While not condoning swearing, get across to children that they need to learn to control their use of language and adjust it to suit the situation they are in.

When swearing becomes a habit

If swearing has become a habit for kids, make up alternative words to replace the swear words. One family I know had replaced certain words with different fruits. They had a fruit for every situation!

Alternatively, use a penalty or fine system to make kids aware of their poor language. When you hear a family member swear, fine them an agreed amount. At the end of the week or month give the money to a worthy cause. Of course, this strategy is easier to implement when parents join in as well.

Take a long, hard look at … er … yourself!

It’s also helpful to examine your own choice of language to judge if it is an acceptable model for your children. Yep, sometimes kids will pick up their parents’ language and repeat it at the worst possible time, such as when relatives are over.

The job of adults is to develop a sense of social awareness in the next generation so they can easily navigate a variety of different groups and social situations. Teaching appropriate language use is at the very heart of teaching kids to be socially-skilled. That’s something we all should swear by!