PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

BUSHTUCKER GARDEN
Students from Richmond TAFE will be on site today and tomorrow (returning on the same days next week) to construct a bush tucker garden for our students to utilise as part of our sustainability program.

Another link to our community, which I am pleased to have established, through the efforts of Mrs Ford!

I have also asked the TAFE to assist with landscaping a small area of the playground, adjacent to the outdoor checkers board.

These initiatives, when completed, will add more character to our school while providing students with additional areas for learning and enjoyment.

I am certain that you will agree that the newly formed rubber edging around the tree-hugga seat looks great and will also keep the mulch where it is intended to be!

PULSE CONCERT
This Thursday evening students will be performing as part of the massed choir in this Regional Showcase at the Sydney Opera House.
I thank Mrs Chard for her sustained efforts in ensuring that our students are prepared for this event.
This year, for the first time, we have boys from Stage 3 performing in a drum line which opens the evening – a great experience for the boys to perform on centre stage at this iconic landmark!

Congratulations to all the students who will be performing and enjoy the experience!

HAWKESBURY HARVEST
This Friday 4M will be attending Windsor High School as part of our ‘linkage program’ to participate in the Hawkesbury Harvest initiative. Students will travel to Windsor High School throughout the remainder of this term and into term 4.
We have actively participated in this worthwhile program, with previous classes, who have thoroughly enjoyed the ‘hands-on’ approach in producing/preparing food from the garden to the table.
The students will grow and harvest vegetables, assist in raising livestock and in the final week of the program, prepare the food in the kitchen before sitting down to a meal cooked from fresh produce.

Another great opportunity for our students to be a part of!

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

**KC**
Violet Crofton Talaana Gabriel Chloe Pike Grace Vredegoor Jesse Blume Ryan Callaghan Swayzee Kennedy Corbin Shearer Jared Wesley-Smith Matilda Bush

**K-1F**
Madeleine Macdonald Lily Paraha Tommey Clark Ruby Blume Cassidy Grima Richard Baldwin Stephen Radunz Brody Taylor Ruby Bugeja Eden Bugeja

**1-2R**
Kobi Manion Marcus Mavin Jacob Simmons Jackson King Lily Callaghan Gracie Morrison

**2Z**
Bailey Jones Kendra Shuttleworth Iris Miller Shania Gray Joshua Wade

**2-3B**
Makaelah Simmons Maxine Suela Gemma King Ella Paraha Bonny Xia Ethan Lewry Oliver Macdonald Ryder Mavin Riley Taylor Mason Walker Charlotte Collier-Mitchell Riley Small

**4M**
Hannah Taylor John Dorahy Jett Merryweather Teresa Chen McKeeley Whitmore Xavier Shuttleworth Paige Hottwagner Lana Stark Ethan Farnbach Seth Stanyer

**5T**
Fatima Almusilhi Sarah Dorahy Tiarna Hitchen Katrina Maher Alexi Suela Matthew Gatt Jacob Jackson Cody Maher Connor McIlrick Lachlan Morgan Seth Nolan Taine Nolan Connor Simmons

**6C**
Rose Ryan Caleb Dries Tara Hottwagner Tamzen Bloodsworth Dyllan Yelavich Meg Leaman Bradley Cole
CAN YOU ASSIST

The office supply of second hand clothing, which we use for students who need a change of clothing for various reasons, is running low. If you have any old uniforms you can donate please leave at the front office.

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](http://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

Friday 19th September - Pushcart Challenge
Friday 10th October - Calmsley Hill Farm – K-2
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
Now due - Zoo Snooze deposit Yrs3 & 4
Friday 22nd August - Calmsley Hill City Farm – K-2
Friday 29th August - Pushcart Challenge
Friday 19th September - Final payment Year 5 & 6 Great Aussie Camp
Friday 3rd November - Zoo Snooze final payment

Payments can be made by cheque, cash & eftpos
Living with a perfectionist – Parenting Ideas by Michael Grose

Many children are afflicted by the curse of perfectionism. It is not lack of ability, opportunity, timidity or even laziness that holds many kids back. Rather it is a deep-seated unwillingness to expose themselves as temporary failures while they learn, that stops many children from really achieving their full potential. This fear of failure is strongest amongst first borns, our most prolific population cohort, so it is little wonder that perfectionism is one of our greatest problems in Australian schools.

The curse of perfectionism means that some children will only star or achieve in areas where they are certain of success. So they tend to narrow their options by sticking to the safest path. It is little wonder that first borns tend to be less innovative and adventurous than later born children. The road to innovation and adventure is also littered with uncertainty, which increases the likelihood of making errors.

Perfectionists are hard to live with. They make demanding partners and anxious children. They can be critical of those around them just as they are highly critical of themselves. Their attention to detail can be infuriating. Perfectionists usually want to be better than anyone else.

It may seem strange but children need to make more mistakes. We should encourage our kids to make more errors, spell more words incorrectly, get more sums wrong, make a mess sometimes when they write, break a dish or two as they unpack the dishwasher, set the table with the knife and fork upside down, leave marks on the floor when they wipe up the mess or forget to feed the cat once in while.

Children benefit from being released from the pressure of always having to do well. When children learn that mistakes are quite acceptable they are more likely to stretch themselves and try new areas of endeavour or use their own initiative and not worry if they mess up.

Help perfectionists understand that they don’t have to do everything perfectly. Sometimes near enough is good enough, particularly if you are trying new endeavours. Learning to spell, writing a story or playing a game all have healthy margins for error. The trouble with some children is that they believe that they only count in the eyes of others when they are perfect, look perfect or can do the perfect job. These people need to learn that doing their best is indeed good enough.
Parents Only -
Cyber-Safety Seminar

Senior Constable Gillen will be conducting a parent only information session for all parents in the Windsor High School community on cyber-safety.

The Seminar will cover the following topics:

- Sexting
- Cyber-safety
- Cyber-crime

Senior Constable Gillen will inform parents on the lurking dangers in the cyber world. He will present a graphic and legal perspective of how young people are misusing social media and the hidden dangers of such misuse.

This presentation is a confronting, eye-opening talk on what is really going on in your child’s social networking world.

We strongly encourage all parents to attend.

Tuesday 26th August 2014
6pm-7pm
Windsor High School Library

Light refreshments will be served

Please RSVP by calling the school on 45877122.

If you require any further information, please contact Mrs Khalid (Head Teacher Welfare).
Renovators, foodies, DIY or craft lovers, gardening or interiors addicts won’t want to miss Better Homes and Gardens LIVE. It’s Australia’s biggest home show and is the only place to go for all the latest products, advice and tips for the home and garden.

Be inspired with live demonstrations and workshops from the Better Homes and Gardens experts, shop for the latest gadgets and technology from more than 350 exhibitors, and let the kids enjoy our entertainment, play and craft areas. Better Homes and Gardens LIVE Sydney takes place from 19 – 21 September at the Sydney showground’s, Sydney Olympic Park.

A special ticket offer of $15 saving you $7 off the door price is on offer to all friends and family of (Windsor Public School). To book your tickets at this discounted rate visit www.bhglive.com.au/schools