Principal’s Report

Term Conclusion

The first term for 2016 has come to an end and what a busy term it has turned out to be. I would like to acknowledge the fine efforts of our executive team: Ms Jennie Tierney - coordinating Stage 3, Mr Glen Anthoney - coordinating Stage 2 and Mrs Jenny Chapple - coordinating Stage 1. All teachers putting in a power of work in these first weeks of the year. All the teaching staff, learning support officers and administration officers have also been tireless in helping start our year on the most positive of notes. A thank you from all in the Wilberforce learning community.

Ms Jennie Tierney will be on leave during Term 2 and we welcome Mrs Ahmedi to 5/6T.

We farewell Mrs Lois Jones, we will miss your office presence and we hope to see you in a casual role in our office at various times. Mrs Shellie Turner will relieve as Administrative Manager, commencing Term 2.

We will come back to Term 2 with renewed vigour and enthusiasm for the activities that will present themselves. Some of which include our Cross Country Carnival, the Australasian Schools Testing, various sporting skills challenges and the ‘National Skills Testing’ for Year 3 and 5. A busy term ahead.

Have a safe and restful break and we look forward to seeing you all back when Term 2 begins.

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Whole School Assembly

Our whole school assemblies will continue to be held on FRIDAYS at 12:15pm.

• Friday 8th April – hosted by 1/2W
• Friday 29th April – hosted by 1/2N

Important Dates

Friday 8 April

Saturday 9 April – Last Day Term 1

Tuesday 26 April

Staff Returns for Term 2

Wednesday 27 April

Students Return for Term 2

Wednesday 27 April

Life Education Commences

School Cross Country

Friday 6 May

District Cross Country

Friday 20 May

Tuesday 31 May

UNSW Science Comp

Crazy Hats For World Vision Mufti Day

TOMORROW

WORLD VISION FUNDRAISER - SOE THIHA TUN

Students are invited to come to school with a Crazy Hat for World Vision and mufti clothes tomorrow.

For this fun day, we ask for a gold coin donation towards boosting our means for Soe.

Please support this worthwhile fundraiser.

Thank You ~ SRC

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**Holiday Security**
With school holidays here, please remember that under the ‘Enclosed Lands Act’ it is trespassing to enter the school grounds outside of school hours. If you happen to notice inappropriate behaviour on school grounds during the holidays please contact the assistance lines set out below.

**School Security**
We ask you to help keep an eye on the school when passing by and if concerned contact:
- The Police Assistance Line on 131 444
- School Security on 1300 880021
  Both lines are 24 hour services.

**Weekly Awards**
Congratulations to weekly winners!
- Silver: Rachel P 3/4M

Regards – David Deal – Principal

**School Cross Country**
The upcoming School Cross Country run will be held at school on **Friday 6th May from 2:00pm**. Students will need to wear their sports uniform. Mr Wilson will be the organising teacher and we hope to make the event one of the best yet.
- All Hawkesbury Schools will be involved in the District Cross Country on Friday 20th May.

**Reminders**
- School Fees – Voluntary Contribution for this year will be $45 per child or $120 for three or more children.
- Life Education – Permission note and payment of $5-00 per child is due by TOMORROW

**Eftpos**
We are very excited to announce that Eftpos has arrived at Wilberforce Public School. For your convenience you can pay by credit card or debit card at the School Office for all school organised activities such as: School Fees, Dance Group, Camp Excursions etc.
- P&C Association payments such as: Uniforms Canteen, Fundraisers etc **CANNOT** be paid with Eftpos.

**Library News**
**Premier’s Reading Challenge** -
www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge
Students must complete a set amount of reading to meet the Challenge. The books read will be registered online at school. The Premier’s Reading Challenge runs until 1st September 2016.

**Pre-school reading**
Will be held each **Tuesday** at 3:00pm in the Library with Mrs Ruzgas.

**Life Education**
Our Life Education program commences the first week of next term. At this stage there are a lot of students who have not sent in their permission and payment of $5-00. This is a wonderful program which the school P&C Association has generously subsidised half of the costs for each student.

If you have not already paid, please send payment into the front office tomorrow or payment can be made online through our School Website POP payments.

**Easter Guessing Competition**
Thank you to everyone who had a guess in our competition. We raised $129.50 towards World Vision.

**Canteen Roster**

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**Canteen News**
**Special Lunch Order Day Tomorrow**
**NO ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN ON THE DAY**
- Canteen will not be open at Recess Tomorrow.

**SAVE THE DATE**
On **Tuesday 10th May** at lunchtime, we will be having a Taste Testing Day. All you need to do is bring along a gold coin donation and you can try as many things as you want.

We will be asking you to vote for your favourite items. Come along and help us to add some wonderful tasty new food items to our menu.

- We will be running the summer menu into next term until we have our Taste Testing Day.
- Slushies are no longer available from the canteen.

*Have a wonderful break and See you next term.*

Thank you - Canteen Committee
UNIFORM SHOP
OPEN EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY from 3pm
The shop will be opened next on:
- Wednesday 27th April 3:00pm
- Wednesday 11th May 3:00pm
Orders may also be left at the office any day. Please send your order in a marked envelope with the correct money. As soon as possible, these orders will be sent to your child’s class.

Please Note:
Follow washing instructions on all tags and close all zippers.

DISCONTINUED ITEMS
Due to low sales the following items will no longer be sold through the School Uniform Shop:
- Girls Tunic – still available to purchase at Brynorns in Richmond
- Long sleeve polo
- Sloppy jo – with and without a band
- Fleecy trackpants
The remaining stock listed below will be sold at the following prices:
- Girls Tunic - $45-00
- Long Sleeve Polo - $15-00
- Sloppy jos and fleecy trackpants - $19-00
Please Note: There are limited numbers and sizes for these items.

Uniform Payments - Cash or Cheques ONLY
- cheques made payable to - Wilberforce P & C Association - Uniform Shop
NO CREDIT CAN BE GIVEN
NO PARENT ONLINE PAYMENT AVAILABLE

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