

WILLIAM STIMSON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter



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Friday 23 November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we are at the end of Week 6 in Term 4 already **where has the year gone?** We have so much still to fit into the remaining four weeks of the school year. I have tried to include as much detail as possible in the calendar dates section so that families can manage their time and commitments as best as they can and join us for the many end of year celebrations!



First Lego League - Bossley Park HS

What an amazing experience for our students who took part in the **First Lego League Competition** at Bossley Park HS last Sunday! Our Junior Team were very confident and knowledgeable when discussing how and why they had created the models they displayed. Our Senior Team were courageous and very adaptive in adjusting their models each time they took to the table to compete. They managed to improve on their scores each time! Well done **STIMBOTS!** A huge thank you to Miss Liao, Mr Curry, Miss Navarrete and Miss Lavorato for their support of our students, there were many hours invested in working with the students during lunch times and after school. Another huge thank you to our parents who supported our students, your encouragement and praise means a great deal to us.



In disguise inside a Lego block!



Our Senior STIMBOTS



Some friendly advice from an official!



Our Junior STIMBOTS

William Stimson Public School - 'Honest and Respectful Learners'



Presentation time for our Senior Team!



Practice time for our Junior Team!

Christmas Grocery Appeal

Volunteers at the Uniting Church Fairfield feed and care for more than 300 people in our community every week. To stock the cupboards ready for 2019, Starr Partners Real Estate Fairfield has once again invited our school to participate in a community grocery appeal.



Throughout November donations of **NON-PERISHABLE** food items (with long lasting use by dates) can be sent to school with your child and left in the school office. **Please give generously!**

Enrolments in 2019

Earlier in the term notes were sent home regarding **student enrolments for 2019**. It is important that we know if your child will be returning to William Stimson PS in 2019, returning late or moving to another area. We need this information as **soon as possible** so we can structure the classes for 2019 with some accuracy. If you are not sure, please indicate on the note that there could be possible changes to your plans. This would be greatly appreciated.

Our Inaugural White Ribbon March



On Thursday 22 November, our Stage 3 students marched to Terone Park in Bossley Park to signal their intention to take a stand against violence to women. Our students joined fellow students from Horsley Park PS, Bossley Park PS, Prairievale PS, St Johns Park HS & Bossley Park HS to stand shoulder to shoulder with them whilst they took the official 'White Ribbon' pledge. Students and staff also tied white ribbons on each other as a show of unity. It was such an honour to take part in this initiative with our students. Congratulations to all involved for their commitment to this very important issue.



BE SAFE * SHOW RESPECT * TRY YOUR BEST * TAKE PRIDE

Crossing the Road - Dangerously!



I have had many parents approach me concerned at the unsafe behaviour of adults and children

who are choosing to cross Lily Street at random points along the road and not making use of the wombat crossing. Please understand that this practice is **extremely dangerous** and that with one small move left or right, we are going to have a significant accident that should have been avoided. **Parents, I urge you to support our school in insisting the students cross at the crossing.** You may feel that it takes too long to walk to the crossing then double back to the entrance of the school, but I can guarantee you all that no amount of time saved is worth an injury to you or your child because you refused to cross the road safely. We are talking and teaching about safety regularly in our classes, let's lead by example.

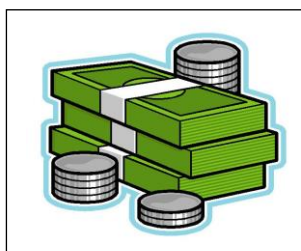
Coleridge Road - Resurfacing

We have received notification from Fairfield City Council that Coleridge Road will undergo a re-surfacing. This re-surfacing will commence on Monday 26 November and should be completed in 4 weeks, weather permitting.

There will be workmen on site to support Assisted School Travel taxis access to and from the street. Council has advised that **NO** other car access will be allowed. There will be limited pedestrian access as well according to Fairfield City Council representatives.

Student Banking

Please note that next **Thursday 29 November** will be the last day for student banking in 2018.



I would like to **acknowledge** and **thank** our dedicated P&C members for ensuring the student banking was carried out each week. We will be offering the Student Banking opportunity again in 2019

and will notify everyone whether the banking day remains on Thursdays or changes to another day.

Stay Connected

Remember you can keep updated with **everything** that is happening at William Stimson PS through accessing our **WSPS Skoolbag app** or following us on **Facebook** or **Twitter**. Our addresses are as follows:

www.facebook.com/WilliamStimsonPublicSchool

Twitter handle - **@OurSchoolWSPS**

Melissa Vallorani

CALENDAR DATES - 2018

- 26 Nov** Kindy Orientation - 9.30am - 10.30am
Mayor Frank Carbone - 2.00pm - 3.00pm
 - 27 Nov** K-6 Dance Program
 - 28 Nov** Stage 2 Excursion - Aquarium
Stage 3 Prairiewood High School CAPA Showcase
9.45am - 1.30pm
Kindergarten EXPO - 5.00pm - 6.00pm
 - 29 Nov** Combined Scripture - 10.00am - 11.00am
Stage 1 Spelling Bee Final - 12.00pm - 1.35pm
 - 30 Nov** PSSA Summer Competition - Wet Weather Finals
ES1 Spelling Bee Stage Final
 - 3 Dec** Student Leadership Speeches & Voting - 9.00am
 - 4 Dec** High School Orientation - All day
K-6 Dance Program
 - 6 Dec** Sport and Cultural Awards
 - 7 Dec** Christmas Trolley Drive Fairfield
 - 10 Dec** Support Unit Presentation Day
 - 11 Dec** Last K-6 Dance Program
 - 12 Dec** K-2 Presentation Day - 9.00am - 11.00am
Parra Eels incursion for some K-2 & 3-6 classes
 - 13 Dec** Year 6 Graduation Rehearsal
 - 14 Dec** 3-6 Presentation Day - 9.00am - 11.00am
 - 17 Dec** Year 6 Graduation - 9.15am - 11.00am
Kinder Graduation Ceremony - 1.30pm - 3.00pm
Year 6 Farewell - Fairfield RSL - 5.30pm - 9.30pm
 - 18 Dec** Movie Day - Stocklands Shopping Centre
 - 19 Dec** Talent Quest - 11.50pm - 1.35pm
- STUDENTS LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

There's more to your library

Library News - Term 4 Week 6

Our Library has officially closed for 2018! We have had a very exciting and busy time in the library this year with author Steve Matthews visiting William Stimson Public School, our 10K Reading Marathon, connected classroom sessions, building a whole school culture of guided inquiry and celebrating book week in Term 3! Here is a Wordle showing our fabulous library in 2018:



Borrowing - Over the next 3 weeks, I will be weeding & culling our collection and completing a stocktake of certain sections in our library.

There will be no borrowing for the rest of the year.

Please return all library books as soon as possible.

Notes will be sent home to students who do not return their books requesting payment to replace these books.

Premier Reading Certificates - PRC certificates are ready to be presented to students! To recognise this fantastic achievement, students will receive their certificates during K-2 assembly or 3-6 assembly.

Please note that Gold and Platinum certificates will be presented to students on Presentation Day. The names of students receiving Gold or Platinum certificates will be published in the next newsletter.

Learn Music on the Keyboard at school

Enrol to start Term 4 or
Register Interest for 2019



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