



WILLIAM STIMSON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter



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Friday 9th August 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Education Week Open Day

This week the Department of Education celebrated Education Week 2019 – “Every Student, Every Voice”. William Stimson showcased engaging and enriching learning opportunities for our students, community and staff throughout the day. We started education Week with our Semester 2 Students Leadership Council



Induction Ceremony on Monday 5th August. The SRC leaders for this semester were presented with their

badges, being reminded of the important job they have as being role models and the voice of the students about issues local, domestic and international. Tying in very well with the theme of Education Week – “Every Student, Every Voice”.

Our official celebration of Education Week was Wednesday 7th August. We kicked off the morning with a Positive Behaviour for Learning presentation to the parents by Ms Amanda Redshaw and Mr Michael Curry. This presentation gave a background to the PBL philosophy and research of building positive expectations through a whole school culture and language. They also explained how our “Gotcha” system works and about the PBL Matrix which is a list of expectations or rules that the Student Representative Council worked to create last term.

Senior Constable Zarina then spoke with parents about Cyber Bullying, Cyber Safety and parent supervision when using devices at home and in the community. She shared with parents the importance of having strong passwords, knowing what your child is accessing on the internet and some useful sites to report cyber issues to.



A multicultural picnic followed our parent information sessions, giving everyone the opportunity to share their

cultural dishes. There was a staggering amount of food as our community showed just how generous they are. We had everything from rice and noodles dishes, meat pies, kibbeh and biltong to baklava, baked custard and lychees.



But the highlight of the day was when each student was presented with their international passport and roamed around the school visiting the 27 countries showcased by each class. We travelled from Australia to Canada, Turkey to China, and Germany to Fiji and many, many



more exciting destinations. It was great fun, very informative and a lot cheaper than an actual airfare!

Thank you to the students and their talented teachers who decorated their rooms and got into the spirit of the day. Many students and teachers dressed

in their cultural costumes which added to the energy and positive cultural experience. Well done everyone for being a part of Education Week 2019.



P & C Meeting

Our monthly P & C Meeting will be held in the staffroom on **Wednesday 14th** at **9.00am**. Please join us, all welcome!

Kindergarten - 2020

We are accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2020 now. You may pick up forms from our front office where the ladies will happily answer any of the questions you may have or assist you with any of the documentation you may need. Please see our website for the relevant documents required when enrolling.

<https://wilstimson-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



Debating 2019

A big thank you to our William Stimson Debating Team who had their final debate for the year last week. Team members : Alisa Bosankic, Julien Chamoun, Ali Kilicoglu , Isabella Chavez, Tamara Turic, Mia Brasnovic, Lydia Hoyt and Rania Khan represented our school proudly and with honour and pride. Teachers Melinda Phan and Yelidirm supported the team throughout the competition providing coaching and mentoring. A great job team!



Woolworths T20 Green Valley School Cup.

On Monday 29th July, our William Stimson Junior and Senior Boys Cricket Teams competed in the Woolworths T20 Green Valley School Cup. This competition gave the boys an opportunity to participate in a one-day cricket competition against schools from the Green Valley area.

The Junior competition consisted of 3 matches with an emphasis on participation and sportsmanship. There were two pool games and a 1st place playoff. Our junior team won all their games, including the playoff against Unity

Grammar.

The Senior competition was more competitive and consisted of 2 group matches

and then playoffs. Our senior boys unfortunately went down in their first two games and therefore did not proceed to the playoffs. All the games were played with immense team spirit and fantastic effort.

I am very proud of the boys' efforts and I would like to commend them all on their outstanding behaviour and sportsmanship on the day. The involvement in this competition has been an invaluable experience and we look forward to improving on these results next year. Well done boys!

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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**

Natalie Simmons

Important Dates Coming Up

14/8/19 - Stage 3 Gelato Excursion

20/8/19 – K-6 Athletics Carnival – Dwyer Oval Warwick Farm

21/8/19 – Maths Olympiad – Stage 3

22/8/19 – Stage 3 Fundraiser Pyjama Day K-6

There's more to your library

Library News - Term 3 Week 3

Library is back to normal

Thank you for all your support and patience whilst the library was closed during my extended leave. Please start returning all books to the library as soon as possible so that students may borrow new books during their Library lessons. A reminder that students can also borrow during 1st half of lunch and recess.

Book Week

In August each year, schools and public libraries celebrate Australian books, authors and illustrators. During library lessons, students will be studying the shortlisted books. The 2019 Book Week theme is:

Reading is my Secret Power

At William Stimson Public School, we will be celebrating 2019 Book Week through a variety of activities:

Book Week Parade

On **Wednesday 4 September** at **12:45pm**, we will be holding a Book Week Parade. All students are invited to **dress up** as a **book character** or to dress up according to the Book Week theme: **Reading is My Secret Power**. The choice is yours! The list is endless as there are books about everything that encourage "secret powers", for instance, fairy tales and super heroes. All students who participate in the parade will go into a "lucky draw" for prizes.

Please note: students are asked to **not** wear a sport jersey to the parade, eg NRL or soccer.

Parents and family members are invited to **visit classrooms** before the parade at **11:50am – 12:30pm** to engage in a shared reading session. Recess will be held after the parade at approximately **2:30pm**.

Students stay at school for the entire parade and presentation.

Due to our temporary administration building, there is limited space. There is **no** picnic lunch this year and parents are asked to watch the parade from the designated parent space. Thank you for your co-operation.

If it is wet weather, the parade will go ahead in the Hall.

Author Visit – Matt Cosgrove

On **Wednesday 11 September**, the amazing Matt Cosgrove will be speaking to students in our school hall. He is the author of popular books such as *Macca the Alpaca*, *Alpacas with Maracas* and *A Stack of Alpacas*.



Matt will give the students an insight into the roles of an author and illustrator. The cost is \$1.50 and a permission note will be sent home soon providing further details.

K-2 and 3-6 Competitions

K-2 students received a colouring competition and 3-6 students received a writing task to complete on the worksheet provided. Prizes will be awarded to a student in every class. Please encourage your child to participate in these competitions.

All entries are to be returned to **classroom teachers** by **Monday 26 August 2019**.

Premier's Reading Challenge

At this stage we have 91 students who have finished the Challenge! Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge: Elena Urosevski, Rachele De Simone, Kaitlyn Virakorn, Charlie Huang, Indiana Agius, Melina Paspaltzi, Leon Rahma, Gordon Quach, Ana Veljanovski, Leon Mikulic, Isla McCready, Mierell Talya, Summer Nguyen, Olivia Petrella, Ermin Osmancevic, Mohammad Ajaj, Fatma Altamimi, Ramos Spliadis, Nina Nguyen and Alicia Ly.

Please encourage your child to participate in the 2019 Premiers Reading Challenge. You must complete your online Student Reading Record by **30 August 2019**. Please return all yellow



cards to Miss Lavorato when all books are read and entered online.

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Monday

9.30 am @ *BONNYRIGG PUBLIC SCHOOL*
Tarlington Parade Bonnyrigg
(Behind Bonnyrigg Shopping Plaza)



Tuesday

7:00 pm @ EDENSOR PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE
45/59 Allambie Rd.
Edensor Park NSW 2176

Wednesday

10:00 am @ * BONNYRIGG COMMUNITY CENTRE * (SLASA)
Bonnyrigg Plaza Shopping Centre

7:00 pm @ * WILLIAM STIMSON PUBLIC SCHOOL*
43 Lily St. Wetherill Park

Thursday

7.00 pm @ * BONNYRIGG COMMUNITY CENTRE * (SLASA)
Bonnyrigg Plaza Shopping Centre

A large, stylized 'Zumba!' logo. The word 'Zumba!' is written in a white, cursive font with a large exclamation point. The background is a colorful, abstract pattern of vertical bars in shades of blue, green, yellow, and red.

*****FIRST CLASS FREE 4 NEW MEMBERS*****

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