



Willans Hill School News

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Curriculum and Learning

Wellbeing for All

Connecting with Community

On behalf of the students and staff at the school I would like to say thank you to all the people who made Transport Day and Fire Safety Day possible. In particular, we would like to give a Big Shout Out to Chris Harmer who has organised this event for the past fifteen years. Thank you also to the parents/carers who sent in a donation for the Phelan McDermid Syndrome Foundation in Australia to raise awareness of this rare genetic condition as a way of showing our gratitude to Chris and his family.

Next week Marg Maher and Amanda Cappello will be travelling to Sydney to complete 'Art of Leadership' training. This program will provide them with a practical toolkit of interpersonal, team building and strategic skills.

On Thursday, I will be attending a Teacher Wellbeing Workshop at which I will learn more about factors affecting staff wellbeing and strategies to support staff.

The flu and bug season is approaching. Please be mindful of sending your child to school when they are unwell as there are many students in the school who have little or no immune system. I am sending home a chart containing information that parents may find helpful. Last year, in response to parent concern regarding the spread of infection, a Five Step Hygiene program was implemented within all classes across the school. If your child has an allergy to soap or wipes please make sure the teacher is informed.

Gabby Sheather
Principal

A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child's health

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes, and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the Principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter's health needs or as otherwise required by law.

Non-prescribed medications

In general, schools do not administer medication which has not been specifically requested by a medical practitioner for an individual student for a specific condition. In some cases the medical practitioner may not write 'a prescription' for such medication because it may be available 'over the counter'. NSW Health advises that this does not mean that the medication is not potentially harmful and that schools should follow the same procedures for such medications as for 'prescribed medications'.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri 12 May	Mothers' Day Stall - \$5 per gift
Mon 22 May	LMBR 'Go Live' – New school administration and finance system
Wed 24 May	P & C Meeting
Tue 30 May	Whole school emergency evacuation practice

Every student has the ability to learn, achieve and succeed. Together we nurture, guide and foster successful learners in a safe, respectful learning environment, recognising the capabilities of all students. Encouragement is provided to build and foster relationships to empower every student to make valuable contributions within their community.



Willans Hill School P&C is a vital link between the school and the broader community. Come join us!



Willans Hill P&C Association News

Cook Book

As a fundraiser we are putting together a Cook Book.

Start gathering photos, stories and recipes that you would like to add to the book.

We would love to also include past staff and students, so not only will it be a cook book, but a book of history about our school.

We are also looking for businesses to advertise in our books to help cover costs.

These books will make a fantastic Christmas present for your family and friends.

For More Information Contact:

Tara Tooze - 0423 979 544

Cathy Manning - 0409 662 347

Mothers' Day Stall – Friday 12 May

Mothers' Day is just around the corner. This Friday, 12 May, the P&C will be holding their annual stall for the children to purchase a gift to take home for their mums, carers and grandmothers.

This year it is a little gift from Bunnings. The cost of the gift is \$5.00.

Trivia Night Change of Date – Friday 13 October

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the proposed Trivia night has been changed from 2 June to Friday 13 October at the RSL Club. More to come at a later date.

We will still be accepting donations of prizes or auction items at any convenient time between now and 13 October. Please leave any donations at the school office and they will be collected.

We apologise for any inconvenience the change of date may have caused.

When: Friday 13 October

Where: Wagga RSL Club

Multi Sports Day

On Wednesday 3 May, students from the Middle School went to the Multi Sport Day at Bolton Park. The students participated in a range of sports including golf, softball, NRL, AFL, wheelchair basketball and netball.

"I felt very proud of the Middle School students. They all participated in the activities, followed instructions, and most importantly, had lots of fun." Mrs McGrath

"I was proud of myself when I played wheelchair basketball. I pushed myself around in the wheelchair." Maggie

"I really like playing golf, rugby league and AFL football. I learnt how to hold the football with my fingers in a heart shape. When you hold the football you have the 'laces to faces'. I really liked playing the wheelchair basketball." Sarz

"I really liked all of the activities. I liked playing AFL especially kicking the football. I liked playing golf and we practised hitting the ball into a hoop." Emily

"I really liked the wheelchair basketball and netball. I liked pushing myself around in the wheelchair. I liked shooting the netball into the hoop." May

"I liked the wheelchair basketball. We had races in the wheelchairs to see who was the quickest." Dante

"I liked playing in the wheelchairs. We played AFL. I had to punch the football. It is called a handball. We played NRL. We ran very fast." Harry



Transport Day

Thank you to everyone who donated to transport day. We raised \$110 for the Phelan McDermid Syndrome Foundation.





'Let's Count Goats' in 2-6S

In Term 2 we have been exploring Mem Fox books. This week we looked at 'Let's Count Goats'. Here we are writing about being silly like the goats in the story.



Class Awards

Class K-2U

Jai Gorham

Enjoying Transport Day

Class 2-6B

Declan Leidl

Being a kind and helpful class member

Class 2-6S

Deanna Weston

Engagement and responsible behaviour on school excursion

Class 7-9Mc

Maggie Standley

Improved focus during reading tasks

Class 7-9O

Harry Deveson

Outstanding participation in the Multi Sports Day

Class 7-9T

Mostafa Hussain

Showing increased focus when participating in activities at the Smart board

Class 9-11C

Michael Payne

Making a positive start to Project Work Skills

Chloe Smith

Making a positive start to Project Work Skills

Class 9 -11M

Toby Mildren

Making a positive start to Project Work Skills

Class 10-12M

Marcus McKenzie

Fantastic effort at Big W for Work Experience

SPORT

No award

Writing Awards

Junior School

Cody Manning

Middle School

Jaz Seymour

Senior School

No award

Transport

Please remember to ring your transport provider if your child is not attending school on any day. This is a requirement of the Department of Education.

Reminder

A reminder to all students, parents/carers that at Willans Hill we have an important safety rule to remember at school: **'hands down'**.

School Assemblies

Junior Assembly is on every Monday at 2:30pm in the hall.
Senior Assembly is on every Monday at 9:15am in the hall.
All welcome to attend.

Late Arrivals and Early Departures

If your child arrives to school after 9:00am in the morning or needs to leave before 3pm you need to sign them in/out at the front office as per Department of Education policy. Staff will then take your child to or from class. Please do not go to the classroom yourself.