



# Willans Hill School News

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Challenging,  
engaging and  
innovative learning

Building a  
professional learning  
community

Making sense of the  
world

## Personalised, Learning and Support Meetings

Thank you to those parents/carers who have attended their child's Personalised Learning and Support Plan Meeting in the last week. An important part of your child's education is the creation of Personalised Learning Support Plans. These identify the educational priorities for the coming year and outline the support that your child will require to achieve learning outcomes. Parent/carer input is an essential part of this process. If you have not already made an appointment with your child's teacher please contact Chrissy or Jacque in the office to make an appointment.

## Student Health in NSW Public Schools

The health and safety of students is relevant to learning and is important to schools.

The present and future health of students can be enhanced by quality learning and positive experiences at school.

All children and young people of legal school age are entitled to participate in education and training regardless of their health support needs.

Support for students on health issues must be provided in a way that does not discriminate unlawfully against any student.

Schools rely on and value the cooperation of parents, medical practitioners, health services, other relevant agencies and local community resources to assist them to support the health of students.

With this in mind,

Regarding their children's health **parents are expected to:**

- co-operate with the school on student health matters.
- inform the school of the health needs of the child at enrolment or when health conditions develop or change.
- liaise with the child's medical practitioner about the implications of any health condition for their child's schooling and convey advice and information from the medical practitioner to the school.
- if required, provide prescribed medication and 'consumables' for administration by the school in a timely way and as agreed with the principal.
- where relevant, collaborate with the school in planning to support the child's health needs at school including updating information and reviewing plans. Relevant information on the role of parents can be found on the department's website.

## Pick up and Drop Off

The mornings and afternoons at the school are extremely busy and we ask for your assistance to make sure all students are safe when arriving at and leaving from the school. Parents/carers are asked to remain in your vehicles until staff can support students to or from the car. You are more than welcome to come into the school to collect your child, however, please park your car in the carpark so that other cars are able to move around the pickup area.

## General Assistant

I would like to take this opportunity to farewell our General Assistant Wayne Burgess and thank him for his contribution to Willans Hill School in the last twelve months. We wish him the best in the future.

We are currently looking for anyone who may be interested in the role for the remainder of the term. The GA works two days a week. Duties may include minor maintenance of buildings, plant and equipment; mowing school lawns and playing fields; receipt and distribution of stores; and other duties as directed. Please contact the school immediately as we need to fill this position as soon as possible.

## Expression of interest for Assisted Travel Support Officer (ATSO) position

The Assisted School Travel Program (ASTP) often provides additional support to students with disabilities on transport. Assisted Travel Support Officers (ATSOs) support students with complex health or behaviour needs to ensure their safe travel to and from school. If you are interested in temporary part-time work as an ATSO the following website contains information on how to apply for the position.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/astp/atso>

For further information please contact ASTP on 1300 338 278 or email ASTP at [atso.astp@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:atso.astp@det.nsw.edu.au)

*Gabby Sheather*

Principal

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.

# Class Awards

Class 1	Ruby Langfield Kasey Barton	Great participation in action breaks Great enthusiasm for smartboard work
Class 2	Prudence Lapham Henry Pavitt	Completing an outstanding art work Improved participation across all key learning areas
Class 3	Luca Scarrone <b>Alyan Hasan</b>	Participation in Bluearth Participating and showing increased enthusiasm during maths
Class 4	Danielle Steele	Great work in class
Class 5	Ajay Beer	Thoughtful decision making in advertisement creation
Class 6	Maggie Standley Emily Baldwin	Outstanding contribution in classroom discussions Fantastic work with rhyming words in poetry
Class 7	Jazz Seymour Chloe Smith	Participation in all classroom activities all week Being a respectful class member
Class 8	Marcus McKenzie Jaiden Martin	Great writing during group work in work experience Great engagement in all work experience opportunities
Class 9	Charlie Crouch Jack Ritchie	Displaying a respectful attitude to staff and students A positive attitude to Design and Technology

## News around the school



2018 marks the first year of Willans Hill School SRC. Congratulations to Chloe Rowlands-Sim, Maggie Standley, Emily Baldwin, Danielle, Sam Larfield, Charlie Crouch and Jaiden Martin. Since these students have made their pledge, they have taken their role as leaders and role models very seriously. They are all excited to make a difference in our school.

## Willans Hill P&C Association News

### Committee 2018

President – Anthony Brown

Vice President – Julie Greer

Secretary – Cathy Manning

Treasurer – Jon Daley

Fundraising Coordinator – Tara Tooze

Social Media Officer – Cathy Manning

Uniform Officer – Kaylene Brown

### Second Uniform Shop

Donations needed

Located in the canteen

Once up and running parents and carers will be able to access the shop on Wednesdays

### Easter Egg Raffle

The P&C is asking for donations for the Easter Egg raffle. This is always a good fundraiser for the school so I encourage all families to make a contribution.

### New and Prospective parents

Feedback from new parents in the last few years has indicated that it can be very overwhelming when they first visit the school and when their child finally starts at Willans Hill. The P&C are exploring ways to support our new families and to develop strong relationships in our community.

In Term 2 the P&C will be hosting an open day and morning tea for new and prospective parents.

If any existing parents would like to be involved please contact Kaylene Brown or Tara Tooze.

### Canteen

Last week a letter was sent home urging parents to volunteer in the canteen to support the P&C raise funds for the school.

Responses to this have been disappointing and I would encourage parents/carers and grandparents to become involved so that the canteen can remain with the P&C.

## Save the Date

Sat 10 Mar	Community Cup Postponed
Fri 23 Mar	Last day for P & C Easter Egg raffle donations
Fri 30 Mar – Mon Apr 2	Easter long weekend
Fri 13 Apr	Last day of Term 1

### Reminder

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

### 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.

### Late Arrivals and Early Departures

If your child arrives to school after 9:00am or needs to leave before 3:00pm 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.



## Stage 5 PDHPE



Stage 5 PDHPE has been working on physical motor skills this term. Students have focused on a variety of group and individual tasks that are both fun and challenging. All activities are selected to allow students to work at their individual level of ability. Physical activity is a great way for students to feel good about themselves and promotes a healthy lifestyle.



### Class 5

Exploring the needs of living things.

