



# NEWSLETTER



**WESTERN  
BULLDOGS**  
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**UNIFORM SHOP**

Tuesday

2.45 – 3.15 p.m.

Friday

8.40 – 9.10 a.m.



Wednesday, June 27, 2018

## PUPIL FREE DAY & PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS THURSDAY, JUNE 28

Please note that Camp Australia  
has not had enough enrolments for them to run a program on Thursday

**Thursday, June 28**

Friday, June 29

**Pupil Free Day & Parent/Teacher Interviews 2 – 7 p.m.**

Whole school Roll-A-Thon

**Optional Casual Clothes Day**

Last day Term 2 – 2.30 p.m. finish

**First day Term 3**

**Monday, July 16**

Tuesday, July 17 – Thursday, July 26

Thursday, July 19

Swimming Program, Grades 3, 5 & 6 (eight day program)

COMPASS parent information session 6 – 6.45 p.m. (computer room)

Seeing Eye Dogs information session 6 – 7 p.m. (BER)

### **From the Principal Reporting of Student Progress**

Parents who have spoken to me this week have been very impressed with the content and format of their children's half-year report. I am very pleased that the reports have been so well received because our teachers go to an *enormous* amount of effort to prepare them each half year.

I have the opportunity to read over the students' self-evaluations and I never fail to be impressed with the children's level of honesty and their perception of their own strengths and areas for improvement. The student self-evaluations also provide a reminder to me about how much the children value our specialist programs, camps, sport, bike ed., excursions and all of the other extracurricular experiences that are provided for children at our school. This year I have been particularly pleased to see so many students write so positively about the extra help they receive from our support teachers and about how much they are enjoying our robotics program. Please remember that the written reports are only part of the half-year reporting process and that the teachers are looking forward to meeting with you at our parent/teacher interviews tomorrow afternoon and evening. Please also take a few minutes to add your feedback to this half-year evaluation process by completing the Parent Comments page and returning it to school before the end of term.

### **'Super Hero' Roll-A-Thon on Friday, June 29**

Our end of second term Roll-A-Thon has become something of a tradition at Iramoo and the children look forward to it each year. Please help your child to obtain as many sponsors as possible before Friday and please also assist your child(ren) to collect the money that has been promised to them during the coming school vacation.

The Roll-A-Thon is one of our major fundraisers for the year and we hope to raise at least \$10,000 to help fund our ongoing playground improvements/maintenance and this year, the replacement of the student drinking taps and troughs which is expected to cost approximately \$18,000. There will be a prize for the student from each year level who raises the most money. Every student who raises over \$25 will also be entered into a lucky draw to win the major prize.



A reminder that the theme for this year's Roll-A-thon is 'Super Heros' and also that we have special lunch orders on Friday. More than 450 children have ordered a Roll-A-Thon lunch for Friday. No further orders can be taken now and there will be no other lunch orders available from our canteen on Friday.

### COMPASS

A number of parents have already collected their personal login details for COMPASS from our school office and I know that several have already logged in, changed their password and added their email details as I receive an email each time this happens.



Please come to our office some time this week to collect your COMPASS login details. The office will be open until 6.50 p.m. tomorrow.

On Thursday, July 19 we will have a COMPASS information session for parents/guardians from 6 – 6.45 p.m. in our computer room. If you have any questions at all about COMPASS, please come along and please also bring your login details so that we can assist you to access the information about your child(ren).

### Security

During the coming school holidays we ask your assistance in discouraging any people who may misuse our grounds. If you happen to notice any person on our school grounds who is engaging in any type of danerous or destructive behaviour *please do not hesitate* to call the police on ☎000 and the Department of Education Office of Emergency Manaement on ☎9589 6266 (24 hours, 7 days).

**Moira Findlay**

### WESTERN METROPOLITAN PRIMARY CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Tiah Olcorn and Noa Fonua for representing the Wyndham Division at the Western Metropolitan Primary Cross Country Championship held at Brimbank Park on Thursday, June 21. Both students trained extremely hard in the lead up to the event and can be very proud of their achievements.

**BRAD HODGES, PHYS- ED CO-ORDINATOR**

### GETTING READY IN NUMERACY (GRIN) – SEMESTER 1, 2018

At our school, children in Grades 2, 3 & 4 have continued to receive extra support to increase their skills and confidence in Numeracy. The program is called *Getting Ready in Numeracy*, which the students know as GRIN. The GRIN teacher exposes the students to the learning that will occur in the classroom during the maths lesson that follows. Through this program, teachers have noticed the students are more confident in contributing to class discussions. They have also shown increased use of vocabulary needed to complete set tasks.

The students are involved in small group sessions with a GRIN teacher to support their learning during maths lessons in the classroom. The results from the GRIN program have shown improvement in the students' learning and higher levels of knowledge and independence.

Before GRIN, I struggled with partitioning because I got mixed up with taking away numbers for myself. I also got confused a lot. I did not know multiplication.

Now I feel more confident with putting my hand up in class to answer questions about numbers. I can add 2 digit and 3 digit numbers together. I am able to subtract bigger numbers as well.

**Baneet Kaur, 2ML - Grade 2 GRIN (EXTENSION)**

Before GRIN I did not feel confident. Maths was hard for me and kind of tricky. I was a bit nervous and I needed a lot of help with my work.

Now I feel more confident and I find maths easier than I did before. GRIN tells me what I am going to do for maths in the classroom. I know lots of strategies. I can do harder maths. GRIN helps me because I do doubles, I know my shapes and we learn about money. We also have a special GRIN book.

**Paiytan Lie-Kohunui, 3AP - Grade 3 GRIN**

Before GRIN, I was not able to speak up in Maths. I could not talk about it much and it was tricky.

Now I feel like I can speak up a lot in GRIN and Maths is easier for me. I can work better than before and I like doing Maths.

**Abbas Al Hawidaw, 4IS - Grade 4 GRIN**

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### SEEING EYE DOGS PUPPY & FOSTER CARER INFORMATION EVENING

On Thursday, July 19 at Iramoo Primary School from 6 – 7 p.m. Come along to our information evening, meet our dogs, hear our clients' stories and see how you can help us to make a difference. *Everyone welcome.*

