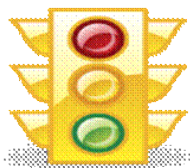


Term 1
Week 1
2019



Williamstown
Primary School
& Preschool & OSHC

DATES TO REMEMBER
SEE CALENDAR ON BACK



TRAFFIC DUTY

TERM 1

Week 1 Dylan I/Callum G

Week 2 Dylan I/Callum G

Reminder

Under Department for Education regulations, dogs should not be on school grounds without the permission of the principal. Exceptions to this regulation are accredited disability dogs, guide and hearing dogs.



Please remember to keep informed about our **Bushfire Plan**... it is on our school website

SWIMMING NOTES

NEED TO BE RETURNED BY WEEK 2

Welcome everyone to the new school year at Williamstown Primary. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to work with the school and community as principal over the next five years of my appointment. Thank you to the staff, students and parents for making me feel so welcome. I look forward to meeting more families informally in the yard or during Acquaintance Night. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Julee Veljanovski for her dedication to Williamstown PS during her 10 years as principal. We wish her the best with her new adventures in retirement.

This year we have 210 students across our 9 classes in the school and 20 children in our pre-school. Jodie Dahlitz continues in the role of Deputy Principal for 2019 and we welcome new teachers Kim Bitter and Mel Dudek. Our classes and staff are as follows.

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| Preschool | Emily McNair |
| Reception | Kim Bitter |
| R/year 1 | Georgia Hall |
| Year 1/2 | Kayla Head |
| Year 1/2 | Tamara Dewell & Jodie Dahlitz |
| Year 2/3 | Robert Hanley |
| Year 4/5 | Sam Otta |
| Year 4/5 | Maria Webb & David Williams |
| Year 6/7 | Mel Dudek & Josh Lee |
| Year 6/7 | Ali Wilkinson & Josh Lee |
| Science | Fleur Natrass |
| Japanese/The Arts | Claire Duffield |

We welcome back our SSOs who carry out a variety of roles in the school including finance and administration, grounds maintenance, ICT and classroom and student support.

Acquaintance Night: We will have our Acquaintance Night next week on Tuesday night 5th February between 4.45 - 6.30. Teachers will be available in their rooms and will present some information about their learning programmes this year. There will be time for some questions and answers. More information has gone home, with talk times for individual classes, please look out for it.

Class Dojos: Many classes use Class Dojo to share classroom learning and news, and as a quick reminder system for class matters.

Teachers only communicate with you on dojo during their work hours (up to 5pm), at break times and when they have non-classroom duties. It is a handy way for short messages to be shared. Please do not use dojo for longer discussions, urgent communications (it may not be checked in time) or for after-hours messaging. The usual school phone number should be used for immediate requests and information. If you want to talk at any length with your child's teacher then please contact them to make a mutually convenient time to do this.

REMINDERS:

Mobile Phones at school: Our current school policy recognises that some families give their children mobile phones to ensure after school safety (when walking home etc.). However we ask that *unless absolutely necessary* mobile phones *not be brought to school*.

If students need to bring phones to school we require them to be turned off during school time and encourage that they be handed to their teachers for safekeeping during the day. If we find a student has a phone in use during the day, or has brought a phone and is using it inappropriately, then the phone will be taken to the Principal and the family contacted and appropriate consequence given.

We cannot take any responsibility for damage, loss or theft of private mobile phones which have been brought to school.

Bushfire Safety: Every year we practice our Bushfire drills. We ensure that our designated Bushfire Message phone is ready to notify you of any situations related to a bushfire response. The Education Department informs us the night before of catastrophic warnings that would close the school. We inform you as soon as we know this. Please make sure we have your current mobile phone number so that we provide information to you in a timely manner. Please note this mobile cannot be used to reply/answer calls.

Governing Council AGM—Monday 18th February 6pm. All parents welcome.

Regards,

Lynette Simons

Term One 2019 School Planner

| WK | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|----|--|--|------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 1 | 28/01 Australia Day public holiday | 29/01 | 30/01 | 31/01 | 01/02 |
| 2 | 04/02 | 05/02 ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT | 06/02 | 07/02 | 08/02 |
| 3 | 11/02 ← | SWIMMING WEEK | | | 15/02 → |
| 4 | 18/02 AGM 6.00pm | 19/02 | 20/02 | 21/02 | 22/02 |
| 5 | 25/02 | 26/02 | 27/02 | 28/02 | 01/03 CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY  |
| 6 | 04/03 | 05/03 | 06/03 | 07/03 | 08/03 PUPIL FREE DAY |
| 7 | 11/03 ADELAIDE CUP DAY | 12/03 | 13/03 | 14/03 | 15/03 |
| 8 | 18/03 ← | YEAR 6/7 AQUATICS CAMP | | 21/03 HARMONY DAY | 22/03 |
| 9 | 25/03 7.00pm GOVERNING COUNCIL | 26/03 | 27/03 | 28/03 | 29/03 |
| 10 | 01/04 ← | INTERVIEW WEEK | | | 05/04 → |
| 11 | 08/04 | 09/04 | 10/04 ← | 11/04 → | 12/04 EARLY DISMISSAL 2.15PM |