From the Principals

Welcome Back

Welcome back to the 2015 school year and a big welcome to all families new to the school.

It has been a very smooth start to the school year and the students have quickly settled into a positive and productive learning environment. I’d like to thank all staff for enabling students (and parents) to make a smooth transition back to school.

Welcome to New and Returning Staff

I’m very pleased to be welcoming a number of new and returning staff to the team. They are:

- Candice De Chalain Prep
- Meg Makin Year 1
- Gael Howard Year 2 (.6)
- Renee Johnson Year 3
- Nathan Welsh Year 3
- Jeanette Shine Year 6
- Gina Tan Music
- Benson Steere Physical Education
- Vassie D’Arcangelo Assistant Principal (.5)

A full staff list and corresponding roles will be published on the school’s website for your information.

Student Clothing

Please ensure that your child’s clothing is clearly labelled with their name and class. This will ensure that, if they accidentally leave a jacket or hat in the playground, it will get returned to them and not end up in the lost property cupboard.

Out of School Hours Care
Program Number: 9314 9358
**Timetable Change**

To accommodate the *introduction of a systematic and focussed approached to intervention*, this includes support for students who require additional time to master the Essential Learning and students who require enrichment, we have made some small alterations to the timetable. These changes do not impact on the start or end of the day but will alter the times for recess and lunch breaks. The new times will be:

- 8.55am – 9.00am: Students arrive and settle into class
- 9.00am – 10.40am: Teaching and learning session
- 10.40am – 11.00am: Recess
- 11.00am – 12.40pm: Teaching and learning session
- 12.40pm – 12.55pm: Supervised lunch eating in classroom
- 12.55pm – 1.35pm: Recess
- 1.35pm – 3.15pm: Teaching and learning session
- 3.15pm: Dismissal

**School Contributions and Levies**

Information has been distributed to all families in relation to school contributions and levies for 2015. If you have misplaced your information please contact the Office or visit our Website to access the information for each year level.

Thank you to all families who have already made payment.

Payments can be made at the office – cash, cheque, EFTPOS, BPAY or by direct payment. For direct payment details enquire at the office. When payments are made by direct debit and BPAY please ensure that your surname and the item being paid is clearly stated.

**Student Free Days (Curriculum Days) for 2014**

Each year schools receive four student free days (when student instruction does not occur) for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development and student assessment and reporting.

The first day of Term 1 was a student free days.

School Council has approved the following three student free days:

- Wednesday 25 February, 2015
- Wednesday 20 May, 2015
- Wednesday 24 June, 2015
School Council has set these dates well in advance to enable you to make appropriate arrangements for child care. These dates are also published on the school’s website.

OSHC Program will be operating on these days should you require childcare.

**Sun Smart**

Wembley Primary School is a Sun Smart school and students are required to wear a broad brimmed school hat at all times whilst in the playground – this includes during recess and lunch time, as well as physical education and sports sessions.

Please ensure that your child has applied sunscreen prior to coming to school.

Children without a hat will be asked to spend their recess and lunch breaks in the shaded area near the canteen. Hats can be purchased from the office at a cost of $10.

**Meet and Greet-Parent-Teacher Meetings**

Next Wednesday, February 11, parents are invited to come to school between 1.30pm and 6.30pm and meet their child/rens 2015 class teacher. Appointments can be made via the online booking site that we have been using since last year, [www.schoolinterviewsonline.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviewsonline.com.au). The booking code for the event is: 37ZLM

A user guide was sent home on Wednesday with every student with instructions on how to book your ten minute appointment. If you do not have access to a computer or are having trouble with the site please contact the school office on 9314 7054 and Mandy, Rosie or Greer will be more than happy to book a suitable time for you.

The teachers look forward to meeting many parents on this day and having the opportunity to share valuable information about the children.

**School Council Election**

School Council elections are held at the beginning of each school year and the process must be completed by the end of March.

School Council has three main responsibilities. They are:

1. **Finance** – overseeing the development of the school’s annual budget and ensuring proper records are kept of the school’s financial arrangements
2. **Strategic Planning** – participating in the development and monitoring of the school’s Strategic Plan
3. **Policy development and review** – developing, reviewing and updating policies that reflects a school’s values and supports the school’s broad direction outlined in the Strategic Plan.
Other key functions of School Council include:

- Raising funds for school related purposes
- Maintaining school grounds and facilities
- Entering into contracts i.e. school cleaning
- Reporting annually to the school community and the Department
- Representing and taking the views of the community into account
- Regulating and facilitating after-hours use of school premises and grounds
- Operating Out of School Hours Care

Currently, School Council meets on the third Monday of each month, however, days and times are always discussed and decided on at the first meeting of a newly elected School Council.

Wembley Primary School has a School Council of twelve members – eight parent members and four DEECD members. Half the positions become vacant each year.

Parent members whose tenure ends in 2015 are:

- Scott Walker
- Kirsten Roberts
- Jeanette Shine
- Julia Day

Parent members whose tenure ends in 2016 are:

- Jonathan Pipke
- Belinda Faerhman
- Michael Umseher
- Janet Condy

DEECD members whose term ends in 2015 are:

- Annmareae Jones

DEECD members whose term ends in 2016 are:

- Taxia Katsouranis
- Vassie D’Arcangelo
Election Process and Timeline

Notice of Election and call for nominations  Monday 9 February, 2015
Closing of Nominations  Monday 16 February, 2015
Posting of list of candidates and nominators  Tuesday 17 February, 2015

If number of candidates exceeds the number of vacancies

Ballot papers to be distributed     Friday 20 February, 2015
Close of ballot                   Friday 27 February, 2015
Vote count                        Friday 27 February, 2015
Declaration of poll                Friday 27 February, 2015

If you are interested in being a member of School Council and need more information, please contact me 9314 7054 or speak to one of the current School Council members.

Nomination forms can be collected from the school office during school hours.

Please return completed nomination forms to me by COB (4.30pm) Monday 16 February, 2015.

Wembley Action Group

All are invited to our first Wembley Action Group meeting for 2015 on Friday 20th February at 9:15am in the Staffroom.

The Wembley Action Group – WAG – organise fundraising, social events and stalls throughout the year.

Any time that you can offer, great or small, will be greatly appreciated.
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Safe, pliable PVC development cricket ball. Popular for developing skills, modified games and indoor use.
- CR1160 Senior
- CR1161 Junior
- ALL $2.50

**Metal Cricket Wickets**
Free standing with base – ideal for primary junior competition and playground use.
- CR1040 – $15.00

**Spare Wooden Balls**
Set of 4
- CR1042 – $2.00

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Yarraville Glory Soccer Club 'Come & Try'

‘Come & Try’ - Mon 9 & Wed 11 Feb from 6-7:30pm at McIvor Reserve, Fogarty Ave Yarraville.

Participate in drills, meet players in your age group and receive information about becoming a member and see if the game of soccer is for you.

For more information check our
TACKERS program at Williamstown Sailing Club

TACKERS is a fun introductory games-based sailing program designed for kids aged 7 to 12. Williamstown Sailing Club is offering a TACKERS program from February to April 2015 over eight Saturday mornings.

Children do not have to have any sailing experience or be a club member to participate. All equipment is provided.

Cost: $300 per child

Times: Saturday mornings 9 am - 11.30am

Location: Williamstown Sailing Club, Corner of Stevedore Street and The Strand, Williamstown 3016

Dates: February 7, 14, 21 and 28
March 14, 21 and 28, and April 18

There are only 20 places available, so book in early to guarantee a place.

Enquiries:
If you have any enquiries regards this program please call into the club on a Saturday morning, download the enrolment form from the WSC website, or email training@williamstownsailingclub.org.au

Club telephone
T: 93974135 (Saturday only)

www.williamstownsailingclub.org.au
Junior Registration Day and BBQ Breakfast
Sunday 22nd February 9.30 – 11.30am
McIvor Reserve Clubrooms, Fogarty Avenue
Yarraville

The Yarraville Seddon Eagles Football Club invites all young footballers to sign up for a new season on our junior registration day. The YSEFC is fielding junior teams in 2015 from U9s through to U16s. New and returning players and their families are welcome to drop in for a barbecue breakfast.

More information available from our website at www.yseagles.com or our official Facebook page.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: call 9687 1560, email info@ycc.net.au or visit our website www.ycc.net.au
Wembley Primary School
Chess Club Term 1, 2015

Term 1 Starts with a Free demo 3/2
Classes Start 10th February

Dates: 10/2 - 24/3: 7 sessions

Time: Tuesdays 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Cost: $11.00 per lesson $77.00

PLEASE NOTE: If chess lessons coincide with swimming or school camp, please deduct the cost of these lessons from the total amount. Otherwise, students will not receive a refund for classes missed but students commencing after the first week do not pay for the earlier lessons.

Cheques should be made payable to “Chess Ideas (Australia) Pty. Ltd.” or we accept payment by MasterCard, and Visa either by phone, 9532-8370, fax, 9532-8360, email admin@chessideas.com.au or post. (Please complete the form below and return with payment). ALL PAYMENTS CAN NOW BE DONE ONLINE AT: www.chessideas.com.au

If your child has a medical condition we should know about please ring our office with details.

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CHESS REGISTRATION TERM 1, 2015
(Wembley Primary School)

NAME OF CHILD: __________________________ GRADE: __________________________

CONTACT PARENT/GUARDIAN: __________________________ Ph. #: __________________________

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: __________________________

Credit Card Details: (Visa and Mastercard only)

NAME ON CARD: __________________________ CARD TYPE: __________________________

CARD NUMBER: __________________________ EXPIRY DATE: __________________________

CCV # __________________________

Please enclose $77.00 and send to: ‘Chess Ideas (Australia) Pty. Ltd.’ PO Box 3158, Ripponlea Vic 3185, or phone 9532 - 8370 or fax 9532 - 8360 with credit card details between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. WANT TO FIND OUT ABOUT TOURNAMENTS? Fill in your e-mail details for us

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