Winfield State School Newsletter 2014 
Term 1, Issue 3

From the Principal’s Pen

SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Congratulations to Callum Ypinazar and Brodie Holland who have been elected to represent Winfield State School as our school captains for 2014. Mr Leon McKay, Regional Small Schools Manager, visited our school last week to present C.J. and Brodie with their badges. I know you will both do an excellent job!

P&C AGM 19TH MARCH.

Parents and Citizens are invited to Winfield P&C’s Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held on Wednesday 19th March at 3:00pm. A new constitution will be adopted at the meeting. If members would like to preview the constitution prior to the meeting, it is available at the office. Hoping to see everyone at the meeting. ALL WELCOME!

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The annual Cross Country Carnival will be held at Rosedale State School on 3rd April 2014. Details and permission slip to follow.

LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

Students will have the opportunity to visit the Life Education van on March 14th at Rosedale State School. Parents should have received a letter and permission slip.

Rob

DATES TO REMEMBER

- March 14th. Life Education Van
- March 19th P&C AGM
- April 3rd. Cross Country
- April 4th. Last day of Term 1
**SCIENCE NEWS**

‘On Monday, we had a fun science lesson with Mrs Neubecker. We built towers out of marshmallows and uncooked spaghetti.’

‘We had to see who could make the highest tower. The strength of the spaghetti helps us make tall towers.’

The squishy marshmallows are like the glue that holds the spaghetti together. ‘

**Quote of the Day:**

**Callum:**
‘Oh NO, it’s collapsing!!’.

**Noah:**
‘Not on my watch!!’.

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**INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR STAFF, PARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS**

A SESSION WILL BE HELD NEXT THURSDAY AT 12:30PM TO SHARE INFORMATION ON A RANGE OF VERY IMPORTANT TOPICS SUCH AS ASBESTOS AWARENESS, CODE OF CONDUCT AND THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN. PARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

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**CURRICULUM MATTERS: LIFE EDUCATION**

Life Education is the largest non-government provider of drug and health education to children and young people, Australia wide.

Their Mission is to empower the young to make the best choices for a safe life, through their leading drug and health education programs.

‘We see young people as active agents in, rather than passive recipients of, our program. We want young people to be able to draw from their own strengths – their capability – in making reasoned, well informed decisions about themselves and their own wellbeing.’

‘We have developed a unique and innovative program – a combination of our skilled Educator, the Mobile Learning Centre and our suite of student and teacher resources as well as the use of our mascot – Healthy Harold the Giraffe - to complement learning in the early years.

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A reminder for students to bring their own morning tea and lunch this Friday for our Life Education visit to Rosedale. The tuckshop at Rosedale will not be open however they will be having a BBQ. Sausage sizzle will cost $2.00 / $2.50.
CONSENT FORMS

The school is currently updating our records. Please complete the updated ‘consent form’ which (hopefully) you have received.

LIFE EDUCATION

As mentioned in a previous letter, the students will travel to Rosedale State School this Friday to attend Life Education.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE STUDENTS ARE AT SCHOOL BY 8:15 AM TO CATCH THE BUS !!!!!!!

STUDENT SECTION: SPAGHETTI AND MARSHMALLOWS TOWERS

Bonny
Bonny liked building the tower and thought the marshmallows felt nice.

Callum and Noah
Callum liked this activity because he wants to eat marshmallows. Noah likes his tower because it is fun to build. ‘We had lots of fun!’

STUDENT SECTION: SPAGHETTI TOWERS

Rama
Rama said it was very hard to build a tall tower at first and then he was able to!! Great persistence Rama!

Mikaylah building her tower.
Don’t eat the marshmallows Niklas!
GREAT RESULTS GUARANTEE

Winfield State School will receive an additional $5,334.00 as part of the State Government’s Great Results Guarantee. The funding will be used to ensure that every student will either achieve the national minimum standards in Literacy and Numeracy or have an individual learning plan to address their specific learning needs.

TUCKSHOP DAY IS FRIDAY.

MENU

Muesli Bars $0.50
Tuna to Go $1.00
Cheese and Biscuits $1.00
Fruit Cup $0.50
Spaghetti or Baked Beans $1.00
Dry Noodles $0.50
Choc Teddy Biscuits $0.50
Strawberry / Chocolate Milk $1.00
Poppers Orange & Apple $0.50
Super Doopers & Sunnyboys $0.50

A warm welcome to Mrs Kathy Dreise who has been appointed our new Learning Support teacher. Kathy will be based at Winfield every Wednesday and Thursday.

Term Dates for 2014

Term 1:
January 28—April 4

Term 2:
April 22—June 27

Term 3:
July 14—September 19

Term 4:
October 7—December 12

Reading Strategy Focus

Week 1-2:
Activating Prior Knowledge

Week 3:
Predicting

Week 4:
Questioning

Week 5:
Making Connections