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From The Principal

By Jason White

Every Day Counts (literally)

In 1947, Dr Martin Luther King gave a lecture entitled The Purpose of Education in which he told his audience that the goal of true education was, “intelligence plus character”. I wholeheartedly agree with Dr King.

Did you know that being late for school for five minutes a day, over your school life you will miss: 303 lessons or 13,000 minutes or 216.6 hours of education?

If you are absent for 1 day a week and left school in year 10, you would probably be working at a year 8 level.

15% absence means you drop a grade. It is like reading a book, if you miss 15% of the pages here and there, you will struggle to understand the plot.

Attendance is important to us as a school. We care about you. We care about your education.

School Support Staff Recognition Week

Next week the Department of Education, Training and Employment are encouraging all state schools to celebrate School Support Staff Recognition Week (1–5 September). I just need to thank all our support staff that work so hard to help educate our young people. I salute you all.

Strong Hairy Backs Wanted

We are having a Working Bee on Saturday the 6th September. We are removing fences and will be starting work around 8 am by the Prep building. If you would love to come and help, we would be very happy to see you. Hairy backs are not a requirement. (Free Vittoria filter coffee...).

QCS Testing

On behalf of all staff and students at Winton State School, we would like to wish Heidi Laffin & Tayler Gale all the best when they sit the QCS test next Tuesday & Wednesday.

News from 3/4

This week students in year 3/4 have been hard at work learning about different units of measure. We’ve looked at mass, length and capacity. In English we’ve started work on both our individual performances for the Bush Poetry competition, as well as having a go at writing our own!

Junior Woodwork

Students in junior woodwork are currently making a fold-up table. This item can be used when friends come and some extra table space is required or when on a picnic when a strong stable platform is needed. Students are beginning to appreciate the benefits of sandpapering their jobs well and some awesome standards of finishing are resulting.

HOC Spot

One of the amazing learning opportunities at Winton State School is our extension program. Some of our clever cookies in year 4 have been working on independent maths investigations. Here Dylan is collecting evidence about feet sizes. Thanks Mr White for offering your foot as mathematical evidence!
WINTON STATE SCHOOL
PREP OPEN DAY 2014

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What’s on?

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