Weekly Newsletter Edition No: 1

From the Principal

* We have decided to go back to weekly newsletters.
* If you would like something put in our Newsletter for example ‘Clean up Australia Day’, please contact us.
* I have met with Mr Manning the Principal of St Patrick’s and I am very pleased to announce that both schools will be participating in joint events throughout the year.
* We need volunteers for many activities, if you would like to give some of your time to help our young people please do not hesitate to contact me.
* We have something special embedded into this newsletter, which we hope you will enjoy. If you have a smart phone (Android or iPhone/iPad) download a free App called: Aurasma.

1. Install the App on your phone. It will ask you to do a tutorial. Ignore the instructions and keep swiping through until you can ‘skip’.
2. Then open up your internet browser and type the following into the address or URL bar, exactly as you see it: http://auras.ma/s/Bojq7
3. Wait for a few seconds and it will inform you that you are following our Winton SS channel

You are now following Winton State School’s Aurasma channel.

If you have the app running on your phone and you point it at images with this logo next to it something Interesting will happen. (It may take a little time to load)

Here is an example:

Point your Phone/Aurasma app at this image

(double tap the surprise to make it full screen)

If none of that made sense or it just feels a little tricky just call in at the school and I will gladly set it up for you.

Events/Dates

Inter house Cross Country = ½ day Morning 9am- 11:00am Week 6 Monday 26 May 2014
Inter house Athletics day = Full Day Week 9 Wednesday 18th June 2014
AGM for the P&C is coming up on the 19th March time 5:30 pm

NAIDOC week

NAIDOC week will soon be upon us. We are forming a committee of community members and staff

Charity

You may notice the male staff at Winton SS are getting hairier. We are not emulating Mr Barrow. We are growing beards for the World’s Greatest Shave (www.worldsgreatestshave.com) Mr Hancock has signed the school up and will be looking for donations to help fight Leukaemia. So dig deep Winton and
Tennis with Jo-anne
Friday afternoon 3:45 for older children
Saturday morning 9:30 for beginners and younger children
Contact Joanne 46571249

Leadership Camp
Leadership Camp report
Last week we woke up extremely early to go on a lovely and joyful bus trip to Camp Fairbairn; entertainment was provided by the guest singer, Hannah Not Montana.
Some of the activities we participated in were rock climbing, group challenges, flying fox, sailing, high ropes and raft building. In the final hours of the trip we even managed some retail investigations.
The highlight of the week was our boat accident.
No major injuries were sustained but the boats are now unseaworthy. Another memorable moment was when the fire alarms went off during shower time... The principal, Tony, was very impressed with our speedy reactions.
Throughout the course we learnt how to become better leaders, set personal challenges and overcome fears.
We would like to thank Mrs Collett-Dyer for supervising the trip and Mick Heslin for driving the bus, as well as the admin staff at Winton State School. We would especially like to thank Troy, Tony, Sophie and Dave for putting up with us for a whole week.

Shockwave
Our students did a fantastic job of representing our school, both in the lunchtime activities and at the after school workshops. There was beat boxing, breakdancing and some fantastic artwork. Great jobs kids!

Junior Secondary
Our junior secondary students have been hard at work, busy being creative, active and involved. It has been wonderful to see them active in the community as well.

Leadership Induction
Today we held our 2014 Leadership induction. Our student leaders were sworn in and their parents were invited to pin their badges. The leaders took the leadership pledge and were lucky enough to stay for a cuppa and a piece of the leadership cake afterwards. At lunchtime, the rest of the cake was shared with all the other students

We made the news!
Winton State School made the media this week along with a number of schools who have made great improvements in their NAPLAN results. Channel 10 and the Courier