



Principals Message

Watch the Principal's Message here: https://youtu.be/4S_3M7TTyyM

Anxiety Workshops

Thank you to those who have registered for the Childhood Anxiety Parent Workshops. The sessions for this Wednesday evening and next Tuesday morning are fully booked, and there are only limited places available for this Friday 16th at 3.30-5.30pm. If there is significant demand for additional places, we can look at hosting additional sessions. It is important to keep numbers in the sessions small to allow for discussion, questions and answers to ensure the most effective use of the time with experts in the industry.

Sporting News

Last week was a successful one for our PSSA teams, with 2 wins, a draw and one loss. You can read their reports on the games in the newsletter.

Music News

Our three rock bands, The Marrickville Pigeons, The Amplifiers and Daisy Chain, performed as part of the first ever Marrickville Metro Festiville last weekend.

Festival of Instrumental Music Combined Recorder Rehearsal & Concert is today and tonight at the Opera House. Good luck to all our performers.

Collaborative Planning

A reminder that this week, our classroom teachers will be involved in collaborative planning days. Where teachers will have a full day together to evaluate their teaching and learning programs, analyse student assessment data, explore the new curriculum documents, and plan effective, student centred and evidence-based teaching and learning programs for Term 3.

School Attendance Matters

So far this year, there have been 285 unexplained absences from students across our school. Please remember that students should be at school unless they are unwell, or have an unavoidable appointment. If they are absent you must notify the school of the reason for the absence within 7 days of the first day they are away. You can do this via the Sentral Parent Portal, by sending an email to the school or the class teacher, or by calling the office. This allows us to provide the right support and make sure your child's absences are recorded correctly. We know that for our students every day of school matters. Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up and can negatively impact your child's learning and wellbeing. When your child misses one day a week, that's 40 days of school and 8 weeks of learning in one year. Over an entire school journey this adds up to 2.5 years of lost learning!

Y3 & 4 Excursion

Year 3 on Monday 19th and Year 4 on Wednesday 21st are Bound for Botany Bay to complement their history unit of study this term.

Y4 CSSI in-school presentation

The year 4 enrichment program, Combined Schools Science Immersion Program, has been run on Thursday mornings under the guidance of Year 10 mentors from Fort Street High School. Students involved will be sharing their investigations at school on Friday, before presenting to the other schools at Fort Street the following Wednesday 28 June. Students meet at Fort St High School at 9am and parents are welcome to attend from 12:30-2pm.

Walkathon is next Thursday 22nd. Sponsorship information went home last week.

Family Movie Night is this Sunday. Get your tickets from the uniform shop. There are two movie options and you are welcome to attend one or both. For details see the PnC section of this newsletter.

Kindergarten 2024

Information session next Monday evening at 5:30pm in the school library. If you have a child who turns 5 before June next year we hope to see you there!

P&C Meeting

Tuesday 20 June at 7pm.

NAIDOC Week

The 2023 National NAIDOC Week theme is For Our Elders and will be held on 2-9 July.

As this falls during the school holidays, our students will be celebrating during the last week of this term, 26-30 June.

Across every generation, our Elders have played, and continue to play, an important role and hold a prominent place in our communities and families. Our Elders are cultural knowledge holders, trailblazers, nurturers, advocates, teachers, survivors, leaders, hard workers and our loved ones. The struggles of our Elders help to move us forward today. The equality we continue to fight for is found in their fight. Their tenacity and strength has carried the survival of our people.

<https://www.naidoc.org.au/awards/current-theme>

Uniform Shop

Pre-orders of sports tops are now available to use your back to school vouchers!

School News

PSSA Sport Reports

The A Football (Soccer) Team played Stanmorre and had a 2-0 loss. Alex and Wesley made some good saves. Caleb got fowled and had to be subbed off. Our defence need to work on their ball control for our next game. Our midfield was very strong.

Wesley & Jacob

The B Football (Soccer) Team also played Stanmore and won 3-2. Elliott scored two goals and Billy scored one. Our goalies did very well and we also stopped the other team from having much possession. Stanmore's last goal was a runaway. They nearly scored a few more goals that were saved by a toe!

San and Aryan

The A Netball Team played Stanmore and won 8-4. It was a very spicy game that was quite even in the second half after we warmed up in the middle part of the game. The team moved the ball to the other end quickly, but the other team made a lot of intercepts so we will need to work on that for the next game.

Maggie

The B Netball Team played Fort Street, and drew 5-5. It was an intense, fast-paced game that went back and forth. Our attack was good, but we could improve on our circle defence to try to get more turnovers next game.

Anna

Congratulations!!!

This year, our two OC classes have been participating in the Game Changer Challenge. This year, a record-breaking number of teams from a record-breaking number of schools participated in the biggest school-based design thinking challenge the state has seen! Open to public schools across the state the challenge centres on discovering solutions for a real-world, wicked problem by applying classroom learning. The 2023 wicked problem is: “Invent or innovate something that will change our world and leave a lasting impact”. Teams use the Design Thinking process to solve complex problems with empathy and collaboration at the heart.

One of our teams, “The Over Thinkers” consisting of Andy 6G, Jem 6G, Theo 6G, Olivia 5P and Tabitha 5P, have been investigating the problem of protecting silkworms with alternative harvesting methods which do not involve the process of boiling, and have made it to the Semi Finals!. Good luck to The Over Thinkers for the next stage of the Game Changer Challenge!



Teachers Planning Day

This week, classroom teachers have been released off class in stage teams to work together on curriculum delivery and planning. Teams will be taking a deep dive into the new English and Mathematics curriculums, participating in data conversations to analyse student assessment data, identifying areas of strength and growth, and planning rich learning experiences to meet the needs of all students.

Our teachers work collaboratively during this time and it's an incredibly important process to support our students and their learning journey.

This week, we will be focusing on how we can be **Safe & Respectful at Wilkins Green.**

I am **Safe & Respectful when**

- I respect and care for our environment.
- I listen to the teacher's instructions.
- I put away gardening tools/equipment.
- I leave animal shelters (logs/rocks) as I found them.
- I turn off taps and use water wisely.
- I walk on the paths

Balmain Zone Hoodies

Please be advised that an order has been placed for the Balmain Zone hoodies. We are waiting on stock. We currently do not have an eta on stock. We will update you accordingly.

Lost Property

Please remember to RELABEL jumpers and hats regularly.

All labelled items are returned to the class or placed in the office corridor for collection.

All NON labelled items go back to the uniform shop.

Enrol your child for Kindergarten 2024



CONSIDERATION CARE COURAGE

Welcome to Wilkins Public School

SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNERS



The gateway to learning, starts with the first steps in Kindergarten.

Wilkins provides an atmosphere that allows students to reach their full academic potential in an encouraging and safe environment.



Wilkins Public School is a large primary school of 520 pupils located in Marrickville. The grounds are large and leafy with a well-established community garden where lessons on bush care and gardening are undertaken. Wilkins shares deep connections with the local community, in particular parent and carer involvement and encourages connections between our families and the school.

OFFERING

- High-quality, individualised teaching as the keystone to student learning.
- We are a PBL school (Positive Behaviour for Learning).
- We have a vibrant music program including classroom music and extra curricular ensembles including choirs, junior strings, senior string ensemble, recorder group, rock bands and beginner and concert band.
- Extensive grounds and natural play areas.
- Before and after school and vacation care.
- Sport in Schools specialist program.



ORIENTATION DATES:

19th June 5:30 - Kindy Information Session to be held in the school library

1st August 8:00 - School tour

15th, 22nd, 29th November 9:15- 10:45 Starting School Sessions for children and parents



GENERAL ENQUIRIES

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E: wilkins-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Wanga, Kameygal and Bediagal Lands

Wilkins Student Achievements

Sydney Southeast Symphonic Winds 2023

On Monday 29th to Wednesday 31st of May I participated in the Sydney South-east Symphonic Wind band camp at the Tops conference centre south of Sydney.

We played music and did very enjoyable activities from the go-karting to abseiling. It was an intensive music camp, yet fun and relaxing, with full band rehearsals and private tutorials with your section. I'm looking forward to a concert at the Sydney Opera House and the Conservatorium of Music later in the year!

- Jackson from 6G



Jackson with his French horn tutor

Boys' Vocal Program Camp Evaluation

In week 6, from Tuesday to Thursday, one of my friends, Remy, and I went to a boys vocal camp in the Trackdown Studios in the Entertainment Quarter. It was an interesting experience, as we were grouped with other students from schools all across Sydney.

We spent the three days learning the song Because Boys, messing around, chatting, and performing. On the last day, we actually used proper recording techniques, such as one eared headphones. We even got to see some of the adults editing our recording!

It was a bit boring at times, although overall I'd definitely say that I enjoyed this camp, and I'd highly recommend it to anyone interested in singing and maybe also playing an instrument.

- Tor from 6G



Group photo of the Boys' Vocal Program participants

Wilkins Rock Bands performing at Marrickville Metro

Congratulations to the rock band students who performed last weekend at the Marrickville Metro shopping centre 'Festiville', in the Smidmore Street section, on Sunday, June 11 at 4pm.

The bands were The Marrickville Pigeons, The Amplifiers, and The Daisy Chains.

'Festiville', which was hosted by Marrickville Metro, represented an experience that aimed to capture and celebrate colour, flavour, vibrancy, passion and energy of the Marrickville community and its reflection within the shopping centre Marrickville Metro.

A huge thank you to Darrell Archer for always supporting the rock band.



Festival of Instrumental Music

We wish all our String Orchestra and Recorder Ensemble members the best of luck with their performance at the Sydney Opera House tonight.

We look forward to seeing snap shots of the night in next week's newsletter.



P&C News

Wilkins Family Movie Night – Sunday 18 June (This weekend!)

To celebrate our community (and what a wonderful community we are!), we have our Family Movie Night this Sunday at Canterbury Hurlstone Park RSL!

WILKINS FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

MOVIE 3PM:
3PM - 5PM
SING 2
ARRIVE 2.45PM

MOVIE 5PM:
5.15PM - 7PM
THE WAR WITH GRANDPA
ARRIVE 5PM

Sunday 18 June 2023

TICKETS PRICES PER MOVIE
FAMILIES 2-3 MEMBERS \$10
FAMILIES 4+ MEMBERS \$15

Venue: Canterbury Hurlstone Park RSL
20-26 Canterbury Rd, Hurlstone Park

Buy Tickets:
www.wilkins-uniform-shop.myshopify.com

Get your child's friends together and watch a fun movie – the best way to cruise into a new week. You could even grab dinner at the RSL!

We will be screening Sing 2 for infants kids from 3-5pm, and War with Grandpa for the older kids from 5-7pm.

Buy your tickets today: <https://wilkins-uniform-shop.myshopify.com/collections/family-movie-night>

Please remember to leave the number of family members in the comments section as there is limited space for each show. Online purchases will close Saturday 7pm.

We will also need an extra hand on the day - drop us a line at wilkinspnc.events@gmail.com if you can assist.

Annual Walkathon- Thursday 22 June (Next week!)

All families should have received their walkathon cards on Friday.

This year we are fundraising to upgrade the learning area at Wilkins Green. This will help our children have classes during hot or drizzly weather, it will also be a great area for families to gather when they are helping out in the Green or somewhere to rest when one of the volunteer groups (like Bushcare) are helping out!

The new covered and paved area will cost around \$25,000+/- so every dollar helps! The ambition is there will be enough cover and seating for a whole class.

Students, ask your families, aunts, uncles, neighbours, grandparents, get your parent/carer to put a link on their socials to sponsor you!

Remember, online payments are tax deductible! Now's the time to take advantage of a tax break and help a good cause!

If you need another card, please see the office.

You can send your sponsors this link for the **tax deductible donations**:

<https://www.mycause.com.au/events/wilkinwalkathon> and follow these steps:

1. Click on **Sponsor A Student**
2. Enter the **surname only of the child** they would like to sponsor
3. Click on the **child's name** they want to sponsor from the list
4. Click on **Donate Now** on the right-hand side of the page
5. Select the donation amount or **enter an amount** in the box provided
6. Enter your **email address and your personal details**
7. Enter your **credit card details**
8. Click Submit to Donate

Online sponsorship can only be a single amount and not per lap. Online sponsorship is **tax deductible!**

Cash donations can be brought into the school office.

Walkathon help

Want to watch the children have a fun day dancing and walking around the track?

Why not volunteer at one of the many stations on the day.

Have a younger child with you? Bring them along to cheer on the students.

Volunteer here: <https://signup.com/go/NHcBmYL>

Wilkins Trivia Night – Saturday 9 September

Book it into your diary!

Want to help organise? Contact Katrina!

Have any questions about any events, please contact Katrina: wilkinspnc.events@gmail.com

Uniform Shop

Order Collection

We have been able to keep up with filling orders when they come in on shop days. If you have placed an order, please come to the office to collect it.

I have been informed that the shopify site isn't confirming all fulfilled orders. Please also remember that we don't deliver to any home addresses or classrooms. You can also organise for your child to collect the order from the school office.

Back to School Voucher

We are still accepting back to school vouchers. You can use them in store or online. They are valid until 30 June 2023.

See sentral for the "how to use the vouchers" document.

Sports Tops

The sports tops are so close to being approved and sent to the printers. As requested, we have set up a pre-order so you can use your back to school vouchers!

Pre Order online here: <https://wilkins-uniform-shop.myshopify.com/collections/clothing/products/sports-top-new>

Delivery should be the first couple of weeks in Term 3.

The shop is open: Tuesday 2.45 - 3.15pm, Friday 8.45-9.15am

If you need any help with orders or uniforms, please get in contact.

Thanks, Kelda

wilkinsunformshop@gmail.com



Are you ready?

**BASKETBALL
COMPETITIONS**

MIX HIGH SCHOOL - MIX PRIMARY -
GIRLS ONLY - LOCATION MARRICKVILLE

www.littleballers.net.au



INNER WEST
BALLERS

The poster features two basketball players in action against a dark background with a grid pattern. The player on the left is wearing a white jersey with the number 34, and the player on the right is wearing a black jersey with the number 17. The text 'Are you ready?' is written in a white, cursive font at the top. Below the players, the words 'BASKETBALL' and 'COMPETITIONS' are written in large, bold, white letters with a black outline. At the bottom, the event details are listed in white text, followed by the website URL and the Inner West Ballers logo.

Little Star Mandarin

WHEN: 3.10pm -- 4.10pm

WHERE: at your school

COST: \$18 / lesson (Please enrol for one Term)

Contact: Franny YANG

0426 365 003

littlestarmandarin2017@gmail.com



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sports for better minds

Wilkins Public School



sports X



TERM 3

SCHOOL

programs



In Term 3 2023,

Sports X will be running the following after school sports programs at Wilkins Public School:

Soccer X – Every Thursday | 3.05 - 4.05pm | 8 weeks | \$135 (starting Week 3, August 3rd)

The programs are available to students from Kindy - Year 6.

On arrival children will be split into groups according to age.

All sessions will be run by qualified coaches who hold Working With Children Checks.

The sessions will be fully inclusive & fun-based, catering for all abilities.

For more information and online registrations please visit www.sports-x.com.au Please contact us via email for further enquiries: Samg@sports-x.com.au



Wilkins PS (After School) Auskick Centre

Every Monday 15/5 - 5/6, school oval from 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Come & try the new NAB AFL After School Auskick program at Wilkins PS
The program runs for 4 weeks for boys & girls aged 5-12

Each participant will receive their own NAB AFL Auskick pack including a football, pump, trading cards, draw string bag, fidget popper and access to FREE tickets to a Sydney Swans match all for \$50pp

contact: pat.chrystie@afl.com.au or 0421 840 053



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Weekly after school multi-sports classes

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WITH OUR SCIENTIFICALLY DESIGNED MULTI-SPORT PROGRAMS, GECKOSPORTS PROVIDES A FUN AND SAFE WAY FOR KIDS TO START THEIR SPORT AND FITNESS JOURNEY.

FREE TRIAL CLASS!

	Day & time	Location	Cost
GeckoSKILLS	Multi-sports program focusing on a different sport each week to improve gross motor skills and confidence in a fun, non-competitive environment.		
NEW! Wilkins Public School 5-12yo	Wednesdays 3-4pm	Marrickville	\$15 pw *special intro price

Natascha 0400 989 229
natascha@geckosports.com.au

Active Kids Government Vouchers Accepted
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After-school Classes at Wilkins
Thursdays 3pm-4pm

Only \$26
per lesson!



10% sibling
discount



Enrol now for Term 2 2023
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WILKINS PUBLIC SCHOOL TENNIS CLUB 2023

(STARTING MONDAY 1st MAY)



CONTACT: Phone: Neil Armstrong 0413 085 925 Email: leichhardttennisacademy@gmail.com

TENNIS HOT SHOTS

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots programmes provide kids with a fun way to play tennis, using modified nets, racquets and balls. With reduced court sizes younger players have the chance to serve, rally and score from the first time they step onto a court. Kids are actively engaged having **FUN**. Kids build **SOCIAL** skills such as working co-operatively and building friendships. Kids learn to **PLAY** and develop tennis **SKILLS**.

DATE: TERM 2 to 4 2023 (MONDAY'S)

TIME: 7.40-8.20am (Years 4-6) \$189
8.20-8.50am (years Kindy to 3) \$180

MEETING PLACE: School Basketball Court (Access via preschool gate off Coronation Ave)

For your information

- These programmes are specifically aimed at boys and girls of primary school age.
- Children cannot be accepted without a completed enrolment form.
- For the most enjoyment it is preferable that each child has their own tennis racquet.
- Our coaches will turn up irrespective of the weather conditions.

SPECIAL

Add \$40 to buy a Junior BABOLAT tennis racquet.

Add \$15 to buy 3 starter tennis balls, great for at home.

All equipment is specially modified for children

[Online Enrolment Slip / ABN: 90792084644](#)

<https://www.classhub.com.au/provider/leichhardt-tennis/2023/2?venueId=24>

RE ENROLMENT

All children are automatically re-enrolled each term. If you wish for your child to take a break, please respond to re-enrolment email sent out each school holidays.



Dear Parent/s
 WE WOULD LOVE TO INVITE YOUR CHILD TO BE PART OF
 AUSTRALIA'S NO. 1 MULTI-SPORTS CAMP THESE HOLIDAYS.

At Motiv8sports there is a reason why the word motiv8 comes before the word sports. The sports we perform are really important but our primary focus is creating a sports dreamland where children are not only safe but motiv8ted by our team of energetic coaches to get in and have a go. Sportsmanship, building resilience, forming new friendships and learning about teamwork is all part of the Motiv8sports experience.

THE MOTIV8 GAMES are held only once every year and provide campers from across Australia the chance to win Gold. The Motiv8 Games is a futuristic version of the Olympics with a rock concert style atmosphere. This 2-day multi-sports event will give campers the opportunity to participate in a long list of non-contact team sports, individual events, showdowns and team building challenges. This years Motiv8 Games will include 8 x 75 minute sessions including: Future Sports, Elimin8tors, Tour De Force, The Octathlon, Colosseum, Copa America, Hour of Power and Showdown City.

We take pride in providing the best school holiday camps on the planet. Please scan the QR code below or call the number listed to learn more about our staff, supervision and safety.

Ages: Kindy to Year 6 Daily: 8:30am to 3:30pm
 Contact - Coach Andrew (m) 0413 881 090

CAMP 1

Concord High School
 - Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th July

\$125 per 2-Day Camp or
 \$25 with Creative Kids Voucher



CAMP 2

Domremy College (Five Dock)
 - Thursday 6th & Friday 7th July

\$125 per 2-Day Camp or
 \$25 with Creative Kids Voucher



CAMP 3

St Vincents College (Ashfield)
 - Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th July

\$125 per 2-Day Camp or
 \$25 with Creative Kids Voucher



CAMP 4

Concord High School
 - Thursday 13th & Friday 14th July

\$125 per 2-Day Camp or
 \$25 with Creative Kids Voucher



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SEE YOU AT ONE OF OUR CAMPS THESE HOLIDAYS!



PROGRAMS




**LOWER
PRIMARY**
(5-7 years)








**UPPER
PRIMARY**
(8-11 years)



SECONDARY
(12-17 years)

 **Sydney Education and Adoption Centre**
201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199




Sessions include:

-  A behind-the-scenes tour of our shelters
-  Making enrichment toys
-  Meeting a variety of shelter animals
-  Talks from various roles at RSPCA NSW
-  Exploring how our Inspectors perform rescues and enforce the law

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RSPCA NSW Education Team

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