News Letter
Westgarth Primary School

Be Safe, Be Fair, Be Friendly
26 April 2016, Issue 6

From the Principal
We are so happy and grateful to parent, Julia Kelly, who has volunteered to take on the role of Fete Coordinator for 2016. We are also grateful to Janine O’Connell, our former Fete Coordinator for offering to mentor Julia in this role. Now, with a coordinator in place, we will be able to have a fete this year, so we all need to pitch in and give Julia a hand to make October 16th a wonderful community day! First meeting will be held in the staffroom at Brooke St on Thursday 12 May at 7pm. Hope to see lots of new faces at this meeting.

Introducing Our New Fete Coordinator
Hi I’m Julia Kelly and this year I’m stepping into the role of Fete Coordinator. My husband (Jonathon) and I became Northcote locals just over 8 years ago. We joined the Westgarth community when our eldest son Oliver (Mark 2) started at WPS. This year our second son Alex joined Prep Tara and our daughter Niamh (who’s 3) already thinks she’s part of the school if not formally enrolled.

I’m so excited to be stepping into the role of Fete Coordinator for the 2016 Whopping Great Fete. I’ve been in awe of the fete work done in the past and already look forward to what can be achieved this year. The Whopping Great Fete is a highlight on the WPS calendar bringing our fantastic community together and a major fundraising event for the school.

I’ve managed to catch up and introduce myself to a couple of previous fete committee members and stall coordinators but if I haven’t caught you yet I will be in touch soon. And if you are interested in getting involved in this year’s fete, I’m REALLY looking forward to talking to you.

We will be holding a Whopping Great Fete kick-off meeting on Thursday 12 May @ 7pm in the staffroom on Brooke St to get the ball rolling so please come along and join us! There’s going to be some great opportunities across the fete for anyone who wants to be part of the team, every little bit of time and effort that goes into the fete counts.

Drop me a line (juliakellytravel@hotmail.com or 0400 067 758) should you wish to discuss all things fete. And don’t be surprised if I randomly introduce myself to you around the playground, I’m keen to get to know as many WPS families as possible.

So mark Sunday 16 October 2016 as fete day in your diaries now, it’s going to be a (whopping) great day!

Julia

Parent Education Program – Mathematics (24 & 25 May and 7 June 7pm – 8pm)
We are so excited to offer a special parent/carer program on how we teach mathematics at Westgarth Primary School – and how you can support your child at home. You will come away with increased knowledge and skills and the confidence to help your child at home with their maths. The sessions are delivered by Cath Pearn (a Teaching Fellow with ACER Institute, lecturer in Mathematics Education at the University of Melbourne and grandmother of Westgarth PS students). See page 3 for further details and please return the reply slip if you intend to come. This is a free session but we need to know numbers. We will also offer childcare for school aged children however we ask you book in for child care so we can ensure staff to student ratios.

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Museum of Me – “This side of the tracks”
In 2014, Westgarth PS was involved in a pilot cross generational art project run by the Darebin Council called ‘The Museum of Me’. We are so excited to be part of this project again in 2016. Twenty, year five students, visit Westgarth Aged Care for nine weeks, where they are buddied with an elder. The program also involves work with practicing artists. This year has a performing art focus and the artists Kerensa Diball and Yuhui Ng-Rodriguez will work with the elders and the students.

At Westgarth PS we always value the opportunity to build community connections and this is one opportunity for us to contribute to our local community. Later this year the choir will perform to the elders and the elders will also visit our school for afternoon tea to compare their schooling experience to our current students. This way many students get the opportunity to meet them.

One of last year’s graduating year six students commented in his primary schooling reflection that his involvement in the pilot project was one of his highlights. It is wonderful to see the enjoyment the students bring to the elders and equally what they gain in return. We are also excited to see that a favourite resident, Nell, now aged 96, is involved in the project again this year.

“Reaching for the Stars”
The ‘Reaching for the Stars’ program starts after school today and is a new program for Westgarth Primary. It provides students in years 4 – 6 with the opportunity to do some extension and enrichment in an area of interest. This program is not specifically covering content as specified in the Victorian curriculum therefore those not involved do not miss out on important curriculum content. It is an opportunity to extend the creative and critical thinking skills and interests of students. We hope the students find it both challenging and rewarding. I would like to commend the staff who have volunteered to organise and run the sessions on top of their normal workload. On offer this year is: Tournament of Minds, Coding, Sewing Society and Write 4 Fun.

Individual Learning Plans (ILP)
The staff at Westgarth Primary School use a range of assessments and observations to assess student progress and development in the areas of literacy, numeracy and social/behaviour. Our aim is to improve student performance and make informed decisions about:

- the curriculum content to be taught
- the amount of time to spend on various concepts and topics
- the directions that students need to progress next as outlined in feedback by the teacher
- how students can be appropriately supported or challenged
- the establishment of individual learning plans (for students working 12 months below the expected level and for students working 12 months above the expected level).

In line with the school’s Assessment and reporting policy, a number of students have received an individual learning plan which outlines specific learning goals and indicates how the school and home can work to achieve these goals. It has not been the practice to send ILP’s home in the past but in keeping with building our Parent Partnerships this will become standard practice. I would like to reiterate that all students are being taught at their level and ILP’s are only being completed for students 12 months above or below the expected level.

NAPLAN Testing
Every year in early May students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 across the country complete a NAPLAN test. This year they will be held on May 10, 11 and 12 for our year 3 and 5 students. If parents wish to withdraw their child from this nationwide testing program, they need to simply complete a withdrawal form, which is available from the office, and returned it by Monday 9th May.
Immunisation Certificates
If you have not given the school a copy of your child’s immunisation certificate we ask that you do so as soon as possible.

Communication Notice Boards
We have installed two new external notice boards, one on each site. The Brooke St board is on the wall on the left as you walk toward the front door (between Ellie and Stacey’s prep classrooms) and the Clarke St one is on the brick wall of the WEB facing the year four classes (left of Nettie’s year six classroom). As these boards have a locked protective cover we ask that any posters or information be given to the office for the staff to add to the board.

Where does the money go?
You may recall last year we sent home some information regarding the funding of school programs and the parent financial contributions to the school. Another copy of this information will be sent separately with the newsletter. It explains how we are funded and what happens to the funds we raise.

Jo Wheeler, Principal

Diary Dates 2016

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School Council 2016 Dates:
7pm Staffroom

Wed 11 May
Wed 15 June
Wed 27 July
Wed 31 August
Wed 26 October
Wed 30 November

OSHC - Change of process as of next Monday for Years 3 - 6 in Aftercare

Students in Years 3 - 6, are to assemble in the gym at 3:30pm to mark the roll rather than going straight to the Farmhouse.

Once the roll has been marked students will then move to the Farmhouse for the normal program and collection.
Have you ever wanted to help your child with their maths but did not know how to help? Does your child say, ‘That is not how we do it at school/how my teacher showed me’ when you try to help them?

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The sessions will be delivered by Cath Pearn (a Teaching Fellow with ACER Institute, lecturer in Mathematics Education at the University of Melbourne and grandmother of Westgarth PS students). Cath has run sessions for parents and carers at our school in the past and they have been very positively received by those that attended.

Although sessions are targeted for particular year levels, parents and carers can choose to attend any or all of the sessions. The sessions will be held in the WEB on the Clarke Street site from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

**Please return the slip below by Friday, 13 May if you would like to attend. Please also tick the sessions you would like to attend.** A brief explanation for each session is listed below.

**NB:** These sessions are designed for parents and carers. We will be offering childcare for school aged children in the Farmhouse. Bookings essential.

Donald Eddington
Assistant Principal

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### Parent Education Program – Mathematics

Parent/carer’s name: ____________________________________________

Contact number: ____________________ My child/children are in the following grades: __________________

I am interested in attending the following sessions:

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<td><strong>There’s more than one way to solve a problem</strong>&lt;br&gt;Using traditional and alternate methods for calculations</td>
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I require childcare for the following session/s:

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El rincón del Español
The Spanish corner

¡Bienvenidos! Here you will find all about the different activities children are doing in Spanish at Westgarth. To see more of their projects check the Spanish website http://wpSPANISH.wix.com/westgarths-spanish

¡Hasta pronto!
Marta, Esmi y Pilar

ESPAÑOL / DRAMA

Students in grades 1 & 2 have begun their exploration of the world of Artes Dramáticas. They listened to music that accompanies la Sardana, a traditional Spanish dance native to the region of Catalonia, and are responding to it by putting together their own baile (dance).

ESPAÑOL / ARTE

Students in grade 1 have been exploring the art of Joan Miró, a very famous Spanish artist born in Barcelona. Miró loved to use “childish” shapes in his arte abstracto (abstract art), including ojos (eyes), estrellas (stars), la luna (moon), el sol (sun) and many different kinds of líneas (lines) and formas (shapes).

Students have become experts in Miró’s symbols and have used them in both their individual and collaborative pieces. For this project (see picture) we are using ink and coloured pencils for the primary colours (amarillo, rojo y azul, as Miró did in many of his paintings). To see more photos of our beautiful pieces check the Spanish/Art section of our website (see link above).

ESPAÑOL / CIENCIA

Students in Year 3 have been learning about the movements of La Tierra (Earth). While exploring about rotación (rotation) students learnt the differences between el día y la noche (the day and night). Whereas by exploring the giro alrededor del sol (spin around the sun) students were able to discover about las estaciones (the seasons) and los meses (months).

Students in Year 4 have been exploring el suelo (soil) and the importance of it for all seres vivos (living things). Students worked on the different factors that cause erosion such as lluvia (rainfall) and viento (wind). They did an experiment to find out the importance of having plantas (plants) covering the soil. And really enjoyed doing it!
**Sport News**

**Term 2 Winter Interschool Sports Grade 5/6 Students**

Our Grade 5/6s are about to embark on their winter sport season. All games start at 1.30pm and finish by 3pm. Parents/carers are very welcome to come and watch/support. If you have experience in umpiring netball, AFL or soccer and would like to help out please see Rushe.

Friday 29 April Westgarth V Wales St (HOME)           AFL & soccer at McDonnell Park
Friday 6 May Westgarth V Northcote (HOME)            AFL & soccer at McDonnell Park
Friday 13 May Westgarth V Bell (AWAY)                 No AFL
Friday 20 May Westgarth V Fairfield (AWAY)            AFL, netball & soccer at Pitcher park
Friday 27 May Westgarth V Thornbury (HOME)           AFL & soccer at McDonnell Park
Friday 3 June Westgarth V St Marys (AWAY)             AFL & soccer at Capp Reserve.
Friday 10 June Westgarth V Penders Grove (HOME)       No AFL. Soccer at McDonnell Park.
Friday 17 June Westgarth V Holy Spirit (AWAY)         AFL & Soccer at Blake Park

**Cross Country Grade 3 - 6**

All students completed their cross country time trial on 22 April. I was very impressed with students’ trying their hardest and not giving up. I will be doing ‘catch up’ time trials with students who were away, this Friday 29 April.

**State swimming carnival**

After winning his 50 metre breastroke event at the Regionals, Jonah went on to compete at the State Finals last Tuesday. This is such a massive achievement and Westgarth is very proud of his efforts. Jonah swam a personal best at the final and was extremely happy with his result. Well done Jonah!

**2016 SPORT DIARY DATES**

Our district has made a few date changes to some of our events. Please note all the dates in your diaries.

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Thanks, Rushe
Kitchen Garden News
Mary - kitchen.westgarth@gmail.com   Virginia - garden.westgarth@gmail.com

There were many requests for this recipe we all enjoyed recently in the kitchen. It is very easy and so versatile. Use whatever vegetables you have available. Garnish options are endless!

**Corn and Carrot Risotto** Serves up to 8

**Ingredients**
1. litre of stock
2. leek
3. onion
4. garlic clove
5. celery stalk
6. 25 grams butter
7. 1 cup arborio rice
8. 50 ml olive oil

**From the garden**
- 1 fresh corn cob, 1 carrot and 3 silver beet leaves (or 2 cups of vegetables in season)
- 4 stalks of parsley for garnish.

**Method**
1. Pour the oil into the fry pan and heat gently.
2. Slice the leek finely and add to the pan to fry.
3. Finely chop the onion, garlic and celery.
4. Add them to the leek and continue to fry.
5. Add the rice and stir making sure you coat it with the oil.
6. Add some of the stock and stir gently.
7. The rice should absorb the stock and start to swell.
8. Continue to add the stock gradually and stir. Leave about 1 cup/250 ml of stock in the jug. Keep stirring.
9. Finely chop your garden vegetables.
10. Add the vegetables along with the last cup of stock.
11. After 3 minutes stir in the chopped butter and salt and pepper.
12. Keep stirring or cover the pan and let cook until rice is ready.

Enjoy with any garnish you choose.

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**Are you able to help out The Sewing Society?**
**Do you have fabric or a sewing machine not being used?**

Today was the first *Reaching for the Stars* session for the 'Sewing Society' and while I have been able to source 3 machines I would love a few extra to borrow for this term and next. Students will be supervised and correctly taught how to use a sewing machine so if you have one, collecting dust, the students and myself would greatly appreciate the loan. They would be lovingly used and stored securely each week.

Also, if you have any fabric you no longer need (especially cottons) we would love to turn it into fabulous creations so please feel free to drop of any to myself (PE office) or Marta (art room).

I'm sew, sew excited to get sewing! Aimee (on behalf of The Sewing Society)
**OSHC News**

We had a wonderful response last week to the program we ran for half day Curriculum Day. We have also been looking at the memories and reasons behind Anzac Day which concluded in Before Care with our own little memorial service. Thanks to all those who participated.

We have many more wonderful activities planned this week for the children. Take a look at our planner which is attached but always feel free to give us feedback and suggestions. It’s a program devised with you, and our families in mind.

If anyone has any clean glass jars with lids that they no longer need we will gladly take them off your hands as we have an extra special activity for these.

Welcome to those new children that have recently joined us. We welcome you to the magic that makes Westgarth PS OSHC great.

We look forward to greeting you in the program soon.

Best wishes, The OSHC Team

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*Fruit served daily

Reminder: Please phone 9482 3323 or email asc.westgarth.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au if your child is absent or has been collected from sickbay during the day and will not be attending the program.
**DIARY DATES 2016**

Wednesday 4 May at 8.30pm: Parents and Friends Meeting, Kelvin’s Bar, High St
Thursday 5 May from 9am: Mother’s / Special Person’s Day Stall
Thursday 5 May from 7pm: WPS Super Science presents ELEPHANT talk in the Gym

**MEETINGS**

Come along to our monthly Parents and Friends meeting to share your ideas and plan for future events. We’ll be at Kelvin’s Bar on High Street, Westgarth from 8.30pm. All welcome. Please contact Jessamy on 0411 825 315 if you will be attending.

**MOTHER’S / SPECIAL PERSON’S DAY STALL**

Thursday 5 May from 9am-1pm & 3.30-4pm. See note in school bag!

It’s on again! On Thursday 5 May there will be an opportunity for children to purchase a maximum of two gifts for their loved ones. Items will be priced between $1.00 and $6.00. Please make sure your children come along with some money and a spare bag (recycled plastic bag is fine), or see the teacher for alternatives. Children will be taken in their class group to the stall outside the gym throughout the day.

**DONATIONS NEEDED!**

Baked goods are a very popular item at the stall. Please bring along from 8.30am on the morning with ingredients labelled and already portioned / wrapped. Deliver to canteen room next to music room. There will be some packing materials at the office over the next week.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

It is probably the most heart-warming volunteer job all year, helping the kids select and pay for a gift for their loved one/s. There is much deliberation, thoughtfulness and some interesting numeracy skills on display! Fill in the form, email specialpersonstall@gmail.com, or follow this link and add your name and contact details https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tv4eY1LH3bKpSRYCpEsNkinpblL-q_31p.lTN-3iAk/edit?usp=sharing

**ELEPHANT TALK**

Thursday 5 May from 7pm for 7.10 start in the Gym (enter from Clarke Street carpark side).

Do you have animal-obsessed children? Or are you contemplating a holiday to a destination that might involve elephants? Then this talk is for you! More details on the next page. We are fortunate to have persuaded EleMotion to come and tell us about their wonderful work and also have a couple of families to present their stories about elephant encounters.

We are calling for volunteers to help bake cakes, serve supper and to and set up/pack down our event. If you can help, please contact Emma Savage on 0413 185 350 (text preferred) or emma@weller.id.au, Jessamy, Emma, Nerida, Jac westgarthpandf@gmail.com

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**Parents and Friends Social Contact List**

Westgarth PS Parent and Friends Club wish to enable families to contact each other to make social connections, play dates, assist with school events etc.

If you are interested in having your name, number and email address available to the other parents in your child/children's classes please fill in this optional contact list. Please note only those people who have contributed will receive a copy of this information.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8T7HWF8

Jo Wheeler, Principal
“The question is, are we happy to suppose that our grandchildren may never be able to see an elephant except in a picture book?” David Attenborough.

The WPS Super Science Club is proud to present:

**Elephants: A talk on rescue, research and rehabilitation.**

Presented by:
- Lauren Moolenaar, EleMotion friend and representative.
- Ruby, 4C/D
- De Alwis family

Ever wondered what it is like for an elephant to work for its living?

Ever wondered what it is like for people living in areas where wild elephants roam?

Do you know how an elephant’s health and safety can be improved by a piece of discarded fire hose?

Want to? Then come along and find out!

**When:** Thursday 5 May 2016

**Time:** 7.00pm for a 7.10pm start.

**Where:** School gym, Clarke St site (enter from car park side)

**Cost:** Gold coin entry per person

Your gold coin entry for this event will be donated to EleMotion to continue its program of rescue, research and rehabilitation.

WPS Parents and Friends will be offering milo and cake after the talk – all welcome!

We are calling for volunteers to help bake cakes, serve supper and to and set up/pack down our event. If you can help, please contact Emma Savage on 0413 185 350 (text preferred) or emma@weller.id.au

If you have visited an elephant park or sanctuary in a recent overseas holiday and would like to share your experience either as part of a slideshow, or a brief (5min) talk as part of this evening, please contact Emma on the details provided above.

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Westgarth Idol
Saturday 28 May 2016

As we move towards the big evening on 28th May, we are pleased to announce that tickets are on sale!!

When - 8.30am on Thursday 28th April
Where - East end of WEB (the farmhouse end)
Cost - (Only) $25 each

Tables seat 8-10 but able to squash extra if needed.

Tables on the dance floor offer prime idol position, but are moved aside after the show (approx. 10.30pm) to make room for dancing. No need to buy whole tables – any number of tickets can be purchased and we make up fun tables. For ticket enquiries after the ticket sale, please contact Caroline Clow on 0414 601 307.

For more info on Westgarth Idol, visit westgarthidol.com or follow us on Facebook. Johnny.

Jammy Goodies Autumn Cook-up
Come along for a chop, a chat and delicious food
2-5pm, Saturday 7th May - Westgarth Farmhouse

(please note this is a new time and date)

At this cook-up we will be making scrumptious preserves with fresh beetroot, pear and ginger. Best of all a sample jar will be yours to take home and enjoy!

RSPV: by email to Anne (annemartinelli@bigpond.com).
BYO: Please bring with you an apron and a sharp knife.
Can kids come too?: Children are welcome to come and help or just have a play, but please remember to bring any games or equipment with you as we do not have access to OSHC resources.
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