Welcome to Kindergarten

Yesterday we welcomed 19 Kindergarten students to Windang Public School. They completed Best Start assessments last week and arrived yesterday all looking forward to their big school adventure.

Thank you to Mrs Dimoski, Miss Chapman and all of the Windang staff who have assisted in ensuring our Kinder students feel at home. A special thanks goes to the Year 6 buddies who are keeping a keen eye on our newest students, especially in these first few weeks.

Meet the Teacher Meetings

Next Wednesday, February 10, the staff of Windang Public invite you to our Meet the Teacher afternoon. All teachers will be present from 3:30—4:40 pm to introduce themselves and explain the classroom program for 2016.

There will be two sessions to enable parents and caregivers to attend sessions if they have more than one child at our school. The first session will be held from 3:30—4:00 pm with the second from 4:10—4:40pm. All sessions will be held in the teacher’s home classroom.

These sessions are designed to provide general information regarding the year ahead. If you have any concerns or further questions, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to speak with your child’s class teacher.

House Captains 2016

Congratulations!

**SEA GULLS:**
Captains - Raquel Withers and Cooper May  
Vice Captains - Jermaine McCaughey and Nate Sweet

**PELICANS:**
Captains - Cooper Hardaker and Emileigha Acton  
Vice Captain - Briana Ratcliff

**SHARKS:**
Captains - Dustin Riggs and Caleb Boon  
Vice Captains - Sabrina Vengut and Summer Prior
First Day Photo Booth

Just a reminder that students from years 1-6 are able to order photo booth photos from the first day of school every morning until Friday, 5 February.

Year 6 students will accept orders each morning until 8:55. Photos will be printed on the weekend and be given to students next Monday, 8 February. All photos are 50 cents a print.

Global Play Day

This Wednesday, Feb 3 between 2 and 3 pm, the students of Windang Public will be celebrating Global Play Day with nearly 150,000 students from across the world.

Global Play Day is designed to celebrate everything that is great about play. Through play, children have the opportunity to develop their imagination, creativity and develop and identify passions. Play also enables children to develop their social skills and learn to take charge of their own lives.

For Global Play Day we are asking that students bring to school a toy they would like to share during the hour. Some ideas include board games, Lego, blocks, trucks, cars, racetracks, playing cards, empty cardboard boxes, puzzles, board games. Teachers will also be sharing toys and games. As the theme is unplugged, we ask that no electronic toys be sent to school. The only exception would be a timer in a board game.

Play is the work of childhood and we are looking forward to celebrating this event with other children from around the world. We’ll be sharing some photos and comments in next week’s newsletter.
This Friday is our school swimming carnival. Competitors will be traveling to Berkeley Pool at 11am to compete, accompanied by teachers and cheering supporters.

Thank you to Miss Chapman for organising this first carnival of the year and a special thanks to the members of our school community who have volunteered to assist.

Students should ensure they have all the required equipment including sunscreen and a hat. Competitors will return to school before 3pm to connect with the school bus.

Good luck to everyone – we are looking forward to seeing fast swims and strong competition.

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Years 7 to 10 Academic Challenge and Excellence Program

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Illawarra Sports High School

Open Night

Monday 15 February, 2016
6pm at ISHS

Students applying for the selective sports program attend the Year 6 Trials Day on Thursday 31st March 2016. 8.30am to 12.30pm