Final Farewells

As we approach the end of year we are saying our final farewells not just to all our year 7 students but to some of our long term staff. Linda Alford and Mary Flynn will be joining Vicki Lawless and Julie Warneke who retired during 2016. We thank them sincerely for their long service to West Lakes Shore School and wish them the very best for retirement. We are also farewelling Amanda Jones from the front office who is returning to NSW.

Many students have much to celebrate this year. In addition to the Shining Star winners who will be celebrated at assembly this week and the Year 7 award winners who will be announced at the Graduation on Thursday, there are many students who have excelled in Sport or given great service to the school. Many of these students will be acknowledged at the final assembly on Dec 16th.

Governing Council

Council had their final meeting for the year this week. They heard that the poll for recovering full Materials and Services charges was passed and the draft budget for 2017 was passed. Highlights of the year were discussed and we thanked Matthew Kennedy in his last meeting before leaving the school. We thank all our Governing Council members for their contribution to the school in 2016. The Annual General Meeting will be held on February 13th 2017 at 7.30 pm where new council members will be elected. We encourage anyone interested to stand for election. Nomination forms can be obtained from Janet Massey in the front office.

Feed The World End Of Year Concert

What a wonderful evening for our families to enjoy a picnic style tea on the school oval followed by our End Of Year Concert last night. The children and teachers have been working extremely hard practicing their items to present to families. It was great to see so many parents and friends enjoying the nights activities and supporting the West Lakes Rotary Club for their sausage sizzle. A big thank you to Wendy Banks, Jane Litchfield and Sarah Storrie for their terrific organisation of the night and to Scott and Lisa Zappia for designing and painting the back drop. A big thank you also to Micheal for his tireless efforts in setting up.
Vacation Care Programs are now available. For your child’s participation please ensure you sign each daily excursion/activity and the back page of the booking sheet. The program of activities is available each term 3 weeks prior to the commencement of the school holidays.

Please supply your child with a sun safe hat (baseball caps are NOT permitted), children who have not been supplied with their own hat will be required to wear an OSHC spare hat when outdoors. If you have any spare hats to donate to OSHC it would be much appreciated. For safety reasons please supply your child with standard safety shoes suitable for the playground, children who are wearing unsuitable footwear will not be able to participate in some activities.

Lost property, at OSHC we have unnamed drink bottles and clothing that have been left, they will be on the outdoor table for collection until the end of term after which they will be donated to charity.

Bookings for 2017 will roll over unless we are notified by families, it is essential for staffing that you inform us of term time booking changes prior to Friday the 20th of January 2017 either by email wlssoshc@adam.com.au or the OSHC parent communication book. We may be unable to cater for changes made after this date.

Please Note: From time to time there may be a waiting list on certain days.

We would like to thank School Leadership, School Governing Council members, School Staff and our OSHC families for their support throughout the year. Merry Christmas and all the very best for 2017.

We are collecting non-perishable Christmas foods or Christmas treats and new toys for the disadvantaged children to donate to the St Vincent de Paul Society. A token of our collections was presented to them at our school end of year concert last night. They will be collecting the remainder of items on Friday morning 9th December. Please bring any donated items into the school before Friday. NO SECOND HAND TOYS PLEASE.

On Friday of Week 5, 25 WLSS students participated in the 2016 Get Court Carnival, an interschool netball competition hosted by Netball SA and held at Priceline Stadium at Mile End. With 16 schools and over 45 teams participating across three divisions, it was a great day of netball. Our 3 WLSS teams played sensationaly throughout their 6 games with the girls getting better and better with each game and amazing their cheering parents on the sidelines with their fierceness, great skills, sheer determination and ability to run and chase all day. Congratulations to the West Lakes Shore Emeralds, who finished 3rd in Pool 1 of the Year 3/4 Division (behind winners Wilderness), the West Lakes Shore Pinkies who finished 5th in Pool 2 of the Year 3/4 division (behind winners Glen Osmond PS) and the West Lakes Shore All Stars who finished 4th in Pool 1 of the Year 5/6 Division (behind winners Scotch College.) These were excellent results, especially given that our WLSS girls were coming up against established school netball teams, some of our girls had never played together as a team before and we even had some girls playing their first ever game of netball!

A very big thanks to all the parents who came out to support their girls on the day and a special mention to our coaches, Jane, Donna and Lyndell.


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ANSWERS TO STRETCH CORNER WEEK 4

A1. a chess player
A2. a snowflake
A3. a shadow
A4. Hot is faster because you can catch a cold.
A5. C

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Next Wed 14th Dec between 9-10:30am WLSS is seeking help from parents to move student desks to their new locations for 2017. Please meet at the front office at 9am.