Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

Dads were certainly a focus last week with students working on special cards and projects ahead of Father’s day and shopping at the Father’s Day stall. It was lovely to see so many dads join in on movie night and to see the children so engaged with each other and their mini movie experience. The Niddrie Parent Group have been doing a terrific job coordinating activities for family involvement & fundraising for the school. Movie Night raised $126 which we will be using to purchase books for our school library.

We are looking forward to our next special event, the children’s Art Show, which is booked for the last week of term and has involved lots of planning and preparation from our wonderful Niddrie Parent Group.

Planning for 3rd & 4th year students to attend camp in Term 4 is well underway. This year’s camps will be held at Caloola House, Point Arlington. We have used this venue for many years as the house provides generous accommodation for our students and is well situated in relation to places of interest. Camp groups will engage in a range of activities occurring at and around the peninsula. Detailed information about camp will be provided to families before the end of term.

Warmest Regards
Liz Richardson

End of Term Important dates:
The last day of Term 3 is Friday 16th September. School will finish at 2pm and therefore children’s bus times will be one hour earlier. The first day of Term 4 is Monday 3rd October, 2016. Please remember that we are a Sun Smart school and we expect all students to have a hat available for outside play in Term 4.

Father’s day Movie Night
A big thank you to all the dads and special people that joined us at Father’s Day Movie Night. It was lovely to see such a terrific turnout. The children and their special companions had a fun evening with mini movies, parachute games and movie snacks.

Father’s day stall
A big thank you to Fred and Tanika Gath for preparing such thoughtful gifts for the children to buy for their dads on Father’s day. We appreciate the wonderful effort they make each year supporting Mother’s and Father’s Day.

Curriculum Day this term
On Friday the 9th of September staff have a full day of professional development. There will be no school for the children on that day. The staff will focus on the Victorian Curriculum that we will implement at WAS from the start of 2017.
Spotlight on Teaching Teams
Room 4B
Zehra, Glenis, Annette, Jodie and Karen
The students in 4B start the day with morning exercises. They choose a range of actions such as walking backwards, hopping, marching and skipping. After exercise our students do individual work boxes. They complete tasks in line with their Individual Learning Plans.
This term our students have been completing art work based on an ‘Under the Sea’ theme. The students have completed a range of activities such as marble painting and using cellophane on contact to make a stained glass effect to make fishes and turtles. Recently, we went to the Melbourne Zoo and visited the Ocean area.
Recently our class started the ‘Dogs for Life’ program. Our students engage in a range of fun activities with Jessie the dog and Yariv the trainer.
Kindest regards,
4B Team

Footy Dress Up Day
We would like to thank all parents, students, and staff for their efforts in dressing up for Book week. It was a really fun day! We would also like to let you know we are planning a footy day on Friday the 16th of September (the last day of term 3), and students are welcome to come dressed in their favourite team colours.

Parent Activities and Events
My Time parent peer support groups
There are My Time groups in Avondale Heights, Sunshine, Point Cook and Williamstown. Please find information about locations and days of the groups run by Tweddle in the west on the school website.

Are you the grandparent of a child or young person with Autism?
We acknowledge the contribution of grandparents, when one or more children with Autism are part of the family.
If you would like to know more about Autism, and the research undertaken at the Olga Tennison Autism Research Centre, we invite you to attend a FREE event. You will hear from our researchers and be able to ask questions. Friday 9th September from 9.30am – 12:00pm
The Chamber, John Scott Meeting House, La Trobe University, Bundoora
RSVP: Friday 26th August 2016: 03 9479 3271