

# Westall Whispers

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### BUILDING NEWS

The Hub building is almost complete and they expect late August or mid September for this to be opened to the public. The Library will be the first area opened, with a "Grand Opening" scheduled for later in the year. All students will be asked to have a library card soon, but parents can register for a card now at <http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/library/My-Library/Join-Online>

Once you have joined, you will be able to access free wi fi at the library. There will be "Junior cards" available soon for those aged under 12 years old.

### SPECIAL LIBRARY EVENT

On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, the new Westall Library (in the Hub) will have a special event. Author Jack Heath will be presenting to children. Jack has written books such as *300 Minutes of Danger*, *Countdown to Danger series*, *Scream series*, *The Lab and The Cut Out*. This is a free event for students aged 9 and over, but bookings are essential on 1300 135 668. For more information on Jack heath, please go to <https://jackheath.com.au/>

### ATTENDANCE

Thank you to all those students who have made a great effort to be at school every day!! We really appreciate this, as you will too in the coming years.

### PARENT SURVEY

This next week or so you may have received an invitation to complete an online survey from the department about our school. It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August**. Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. The online survey is available in English, Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha) and Hindi. For further information visit: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/management/improvement/Pages/performsurveyparent.aspx>

I wish to thank those parents who have completed their survey and ask those who haven't if they could find the time to do so please. If you would like to complete a survey, please contact me.

MR. RICHARD LLOYD  
Principal

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

11:30 AM (year 6 only)  
Stories in the Wall  
Take Flight workshop

**Wednesday August 16<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> September**

**Foundation Transition Program at 2:30 - 3:30**

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August**  
Book Week - Dress Up

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August**  
Trivia Night 5:30pm

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August**  
Rugby Gala Day

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September**  
Footy Day

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
**Swimming Week**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
**End of Term 3**

### EARN AND LEARN

We are collecting Earn and Learn stickers from Woolworths. Please bring any along to school so we can purchase new equipment.

## FOUNDATION 2018

We are offering a term 3 Transition Program for students wishing to start school in 2018. The dates are August 16, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and Sep 6<sup>th</sup> from 2.30. If you have a child who is school aged in 2018, please contact the office to attend. There will be more dates in term 4 being offered.

If you have a child who is ready to start school in 2018, please let us know at the office. The earlier we know, the better we can plan for next year.



### Newsletter

Dear Parents,

What a gorgeous time of the year for Term 3!!! Children of Westall PS, OSHC has been started with lots of fun and creative activities!! Children are having ampoules of fun and nurturing creative activities, such as, making farms house, gardening, cooking and many more!! We are encouraging also parents come along with your favourite recipes and have cooking fun with your children.!!!



Shammi Sultana  
Coordinator  
Westall PS, OSHC

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much more.

**May 27**

**June 24**

**July 22**

**August 26**

**September 23**

**October 28**

**November 25**

**Twilight December 15 5-9pm**