Key Dates for 2016

March 14th
Public Holiday NO School

March 16th
NWPSSA Athletics Carnival
(Senior Class)

March 21st
Harmony Day

March 23rd
Burnie Excursion Michelangelo Exhibition

March 25th
Good Friday

March 30th
Students resume

April 5th
Asthma & Anaphylaxis Training

April 6th
School Association 7:00 pm

April 7th
Dove lake Excursion
Last day Term 1

April 26th
First day Term 2

May 16th
Grade 3/4 Sports Expo

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From the Principal

Our new LiFT program was launched on Friday with the children all partaking in a healthy Fruit and Veg break with the LiL playgroup children. Mrs Hutt and a group of parents have formed our LiFT working group and we will share our ideas with families in the near future. If anyone has any ideas about how we can support learning outside of school hours with our families please don’t hesitate to talk to Mrs Hutt.

A reminder that we have re-scheduled the farm meeting for this Wednesday night at 6pm. Please come along to let us know what aspects of the farm you would like to have your child/ren involved in.

Emma Langton Principal

WILMOT PRIMARY SCHOOL’S OFFICAL LIFT LAUNCH

Last Friday morning the children all got together to share a healthy Fruit and Vegetable break during story time in the Launching into Learning space. There was lots of munching and crunching while the children listened to the lovely book Handa’s Surprise.
LEARNING IN THE SENIOR CLASS

SCIENCE – this term in Science we are learning about living things. We are investigating different aspects of biology. We have studied Charles Darwin a famous ecologist and also looked at the importance of World Wildlife Day, which was on March 3rd.

Makayla and Azaria investigating pollination.

Toby, Thomas, Tarkine, Taleah and Lilla sorting living things based on common features.

Numeracy – Mental Computation
The children have been helping their brains to remember simple computation facts that can be easily done in your head with practice. They have been working with number charts and number lines.
Geography, History and Health & Wellbeing – our teams have nearly finished their LEGO challenge. This task required many team skills including: task sharing and negotiation.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

Our natural environment is very important to us so we make sure we always look after it. Friday 4th March was the official Schools Clean Up Australia Day. The children didn’t find much man made rubbish but they did have a bit of work to do around the Knitted Tree because the cockatoos are loving eating the acorns.
We are making sensory jars for our little people to investigate. We would like to make lots of different jars. If you eat Coles brand chocolate spread, please save your empty jars for us and bring them to the school office. Thank you.

We had lots of fun growing our herbs last year. We harvested them before the holidays and dried them over the summer. We now have coriander and sage to use in the school kitchen. Last week we were studying carrots that Mrs Hutt had grown in her garden. We are going to try and grow our own carrots in the LiL vegetable garden. We are looking forward to carrot sticks later in the year.

We like to get messy in the LiL room and use our senses to explore all sorts of materials. Last week we dripped coloured corn flour from a sauce bottle to make patterns and different colours. We discovered that the corn flour quickly goes very hard and it is difficult to pick-up but it will still pour back into the bottle. Cornflour has amazing properties!
Asthma and Anaphylaxis Training Session

Asthma Australia will be attending our school on Wednesday April 5th at 9:00 am to run a training session on first aid for students with asthma and anaphylaxis. Any parents who would like to attend are more than welcome.

HEALTHY LUNCH WEDNESDAY

Pasta yum! Last week the children were treated to pasta made by Roger Poltock and Michelle Hutt. The children dug in and many of them had seconds. Thank you to those parents who sent along a donation towards the expenses of the ingredients. We also appreciated Michelle Steward being chief waiter and kitchen hand.

MOVE WELL EAT WELL

For more rubbish-free lunchbox ideas visit: www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au/families

HARMONY DAY DRESS UP

On Monday March 21st we ask that all children come to school wearing casual clothing in colours that are from a flag of another country other than Australia. We have included a world map with attached flags to inspire.