



Weethalle Public School

Empowering learners for their future

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Term 2 Week 3

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Last week was certainly action packed with the completion and inspection of our new building projects, the continuation of grounds landscaping work, school cross country and our fortnightly school assembly. Everything that is happening here at school is contributing to a much improved learning environment for our students. It makes learning and working at Weethalle Public School such a positive experience. I am especially proud of our achievements and love to share in celebrations.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL STUDENTS

Congratulations to all students for the enormous effort they displayed while participating in our school cross country and the encouragement they showed to fellow students. I am so proud of everyone's performance - to do their best is certainly all I ever ask. Every student is a winner in my eyes. They ran hard and showed extremely good sportsmanship.

CHAMPIONS ON THE DAY



Minor Girl - Nicole Caldwell

Minor Boy - Brett Johnston

Junior Girl - Carla Jolly

Junior Boy - Ky Hanlon

11 year Girl - Mia McCarten

11 year Boy - Brendan McKenzie

Senior Girl - Katelyn Jolly

Senior Boy - Boyd McKenzie

All students in Years 3-6 and any 8 years old in Year 2 who would like to participate will be competing in the District Cross Country which will be held at Lake Wyangan, Griffith on Friday, 14th May. Please read the attached information and return permission notes asap.

INFORMATION SESSION

Thank you to the 14 interested people who turned up again to our Parents Accelerated Literacy Information Session. All present gained a much better understanding of how literacy is being taught this year and appreciated the opportunity to access professional learning. Very positive and appreciative comments were made.

ASSEMBLY

It was another great assembly held on Friday with the primary students performing the Nutbush dance with great enthusiasm. It was great to be able to share our achievements with parents and community members. Congratulations to the well deserved recipients of awards.



LIONS CLUB DONATION

The City of Ryde, through the Lions Club of West Wyalong have donated \$333 to our school to be used at our discretion. They donated a sum of money which was to be distributed to the schools within the district to aid drought relief. Such unexpected acts of kindness and generosity are very much appreciated and a letter of thanks will be sent.

NAPLAN

On Thursday 6th and Friday 7th May, I will be in Wagga attending my Term 2 Accelerated Literacy Training. The Griffith training, which Crystal will be attending on Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th May, clashes with the first day of Naplan testing.

WINTER VEGGIE GARDEN

Our school Veggie Garden has received a much needed boost with a number of students, mainly years 4 and 6, helping Mr. MacKellar plant some new seedlings. They enthusiastically planted snowpeas, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cauliflower, cabbage, lettuce and carrots.

A huge thank you to Mon for raising the seedlings and donating them for our vegetable garden. This area has certainly provided a great deal of satisfaction and enjoyment for many of our students who spend most of their recess and lunch times tending to a variety of environment needs.

INTERESTING ARTICLE

I recently read an interesting article on "Resiliency Robbers" by Michael Grose, Australia's leading parenting educator and thought I'd share some of it with you. All parents have the best of intentions when raising kids. Wanting what is best for kids can cause parents to make decisions that are not always in their (children's) long-term best interests. As a mother of four, I could relate closely to what he was saying and hope you also find the topic "thought provoking". For more information read the abstract titled "7 common resiliency robbers" which I have attached to this newsletter. Hope you enjoy it.

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE K/2

Students in K/2 are able to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge by having the 40 books read to them. They will be completing this during class time and have already read 18 Premier's Reading Challenge books this year. Once students reach Year 3 they need to read the books themselves. If you would like any further information about the Premier's Reading Challenge please do not hesitate to contact us at school. Thank you!!

Keep smiling and be happy.....Cheryle

Attachments:

- *Term 2 Calendar of Events
- *Resiliency Robbers - Article
- *Permission Note - District Cross Country
- *New Canteen Roster