



# Weethalle Public School

Empowering learners for their future

## PRINCIPALS REPORT

Term 2 Week 5

23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2011

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### ASSESSMENTS AND TESTING

Class assessments and testing will be continuing this week in preparation for our half-yearly reports. Students have been working hard and applying themselves well to the set assessment tasks so as to give an accurate indication of their progress/achievement.

### TRAINING DAYS

On Tuesday and Wednesday, Mrs. Studholme will be participating in her Term 2 Accelerated Literacy Training. Miss Gelling will have the primary class on Wednesday. On Wednesday afternoon Miss McMeekin travels to West Wyalong to continue her L3 Literacy training. She is finding this extremely valuable in her classroom.

Mrs. Sedola will be travelling to Griffith on Tuesday afternoon to attend an STLA meeting. Claire provides valuable, ongoing Learning Assistance to many students at our school and her expertise and dedication is greatly valued.

### ICAS TESTING

Also on Tuesday, Natalie Caldwell, Kelsey Hanlon, Brook-Lyn Johnston and Ky Hanlon will be participating in the ICAS Computers test. They elected to challenge themselves with this external assessment. Good Luck!!!!

## **BIGGEST MORNING TEA**

Thursday will definitely be the highlight of our week, with a number of important activities scheduled for the day. We will begin with the Biggest Morning Tea at 11am. The SRC are hosting this Cancer Council fundraiser. Families are asked to assist by providing a plate to be shared. A gold coin donation is required for a hot drink and something to eat. Milo will be available for students wishing to participate. We encourage everyone to join in by making a donation to the Cancer Council. The SRC are very excited about holding this event. Your assistance will be very much appreciated and be sure to invite family and friends to join us. There are many Posters around the community advertising this event.

## **BOOK FAIR**

Mrs. Studholme has organised a Book Fair this week and it will be open throughout Thursday for purchases to be made. To tie in with the Book Fair, we will be having a Red Carpet Character Parade at 12 noon.

Students are encouraged to come dressed as any famous character (real or fictional) of their choosing and be able to speak a little about them. Parents will be able to take their children into the Book Fair after the Parade.

## **BBQ LUNCH**

We will then have a shared BBQ lunch for those wishing to stay. This is a great opportunity for the whole school community to spend some positive time together, interacting and getting to know each other better, and sharing the amazing things that make Weethalle Public School such a wonderful school.

## **ASSEMBLY**

At 2.40pm on Thursday the Infants Class will host our regular assembly (note that it is THURSDAY and NOT Friday, to tie in with our special day).

## **FINANCE MEETING**

On Friday, Brenda and I will be in Narrandera at the Small School Finance Centre meeting with Principals and Admin Managers from other schools around the Riverina. Miss Gelling will teach the primary class.

Also on Friday, the DET Home School Liason Officer will be visiting to check our class rolls. As a reminder, please send a note explaining any absences when students return. An "A" unexplained absence will be recorded in rolls after 7 days. Your support in this matter would be much appreciated.

## **ZONE CROSS COUNTRY**

A reminder that the Zone Cross Country will be held at Lake Wyangan on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May. Please return your child's permission note asap.

See attached information sheet for specific starting times and location. Students are asked to report to Mrs. Glyde on their arrival to receive their identification label.

## **PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE**

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is well underway. Please keep reading to help us reach our 2011 school target of 70% completion. Be sure to check our progress on our monitoring thermometer in the display case outside the office. It is fantastic to hear that there are many students nearing completion. Keep up the great work!!!!

## **FUN RUN**

Prizes have been returned to children who participating in the School Fun Run. Congratulations to Harrison McKinnon who was the highest fundraiser. He received a Cricket Set for this fantastic effort.

*Keep smiling and be happy.....Cheryle*



**Attention**

**All Principals**

**Head Teacher Creative Arts**

**Music Teachers**

**Re: Riverina Schools Choral Camp and Teachers Choral Workshop**

Expressions of interest for students to attend the Riverina Schools Choral Camp and for teachers to attend the Riverina Teachers Choral Workshop, are currently being sought. The camp and workshop are the only ones of their kind to be run in the region. The camp will be held at Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre from Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup> 4.00pm - Friday July 29<sup>th</sup> 2011, concluding with a concert at 2.30pm. The Teachers Workshop will be held on Friday July 29<sup>th</sup> 2011.

The camp features a three day choral workshop for students, Year 5 -Year 12. We are excited to announce the guest tutor this year is Liz Scott, from the NSW Performing Arts Unit. The teachers attending the Friday workshop will again be fortunate enough to work with Ian Jefferson, also from the NSW Performing Arts Unit.

As Principal, you may know of interested students or teachers who wish to nominate to attend the camp or workshop. A wide variety of experiences and activities are the focus of the camp and workshop, allowing students and teachers to enhance their knowledge and skills in music. Please note that this camp is a pre-requisite for selection to Riverina and State Choir.

The following documentation is included with this letter:

- I. Information for staff, school and students
- II. Student nomination forms
- III. Teacher nomination forms

Can you please copy and distribute the camp information and nomination forms to students and teachers, interested in attending the camp or workshop. Teachers wishing to nominate will be able to do so on MyPL@DET. <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/docprs/publicViewEvent.do?eventId=25225>

Nominations are due by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

Student nomination forms require the Principal's endorsement by signature to confirm the nomination and the name of the contact teacher at the school.

Closing date for **student** nominations is: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011.

**Riverina Schools Choral Camp**

## **Information for Parents and Applicants**

The Riverina Schools Choral Camp will be held at the Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre, Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup> 4.00pm – Friday July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 with concert 2.30- 3.00pm.

The camp will feature workshops in a variety of choral styles, along with camp activities led by Sport and Rec Centre staff. The camp will conclude with a teacher workshop and camp concert (Friday).

Year 5 to Year 12 students may apply. Numbers are limited for this camp and early nominations are recommended.

Students will need to nominate by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011 and upon acceptance will be asked to forward the full amount of \$260 by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

Students who withdraw after 15th July 2011 will forfeit all monies paid. A \$50 withdrawal fee will apply for students who withdraw prior to this date.

Please return the following forms by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011:

- Nomination Form
- Consent forms signed by parent, student and Principal

We look forward to some wonderful singing at this year's regional choral workshop.

Yours faithfully

**Kerry Barker**

**Camp Coordinator**

Principal

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**MICKS BAKEHOUSE**

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- Curry		\$12	
- Potato		\$12	
- Apple		\$10	
- Apple & Blueberry		\$10	
<b>Single Pies Plain - 4 pack</b>		<b>\$12</b>	
<b>Sausage Rolls – 4 pack</b>		<b>\$12</b>	
<b>Mini Sausage Rolls – 12 pack</b>		<b>\$14</b>	
<b>Lamingtons – 6 pack</b>		<b>\$12</b>	
- 12 pack		\$18	
<b>Muffins 4 pack - Blueberry</b>		<b>\$11</b>	
- Choc Chip		\$11	
- Orange & Poppy Seed		\$11	
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