



Weethalle Public School

Empowering learners for their future

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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Principal's Report.....

This week is an exciting one for Brook-Lyn Johnston and Ky Hanlon who will be in Sydney as part of the CAP Create Me Network Initiative. They were selected to represent our school in this Sydney excursion which has a strong focus on technology. They will bring the skills they learn back to our school to teach the other students. They will be in a group of other students from across the Riverina. The two CAP Consultants from the Riverina Region, Jan Cook and Ann-Maree Moore plus 4 other teachers will be accompanying the students. They will be travelling by train from Wagga Wagga. This is an extremely valuable opportunity for both Brook-Lyn and Ky and one they are both very excited about. We can't wait to hear about, and see, what they learn. I'm positive they will have an amazing time, making lots of new friends and learn so much.



TRAINING DAYS

Mrs. Studholme and I will be in Wagga Wagga on Monday and Tuesday attending Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Training. Weethalle Public School is just starting the implementation of this program. Universal prevention involves school-wide systems to actively teach and reinforce appropriate social skills and behaviour, using consistent systems to discourage inappropriate behaviour, and educating and supporting all staff to implement and participate in the

process. In addition, team members are taught how to collect and utilise social skills and behaviour instruction data for effective decision-making.

LAKE COWAL

On Tuesday (tomorrow), all students K-6 will be travelling by bus to the Lake Cowal Conservation Centre, for the Small Schools Taronga Zoomobile Day. They will be engaging in a variety of hands on activities. Students will get to explore animals in a creative environment. There will be a BBQ lunch. The school is covering all costs. Students will be required to wear long trousers and closed in shoes as well as bring a hat, sunscreen and water bottles. This is an O H & S requirement of LCCC site. We will be leaving school at 9am sharp so don't be late. Pack your child's recess as normal. Miss McMeekin and Mrs. Wilson will be supervising the students.

TRAINING

On Wednesday, I will be in Griffith at our Term 2 Principals Essential Training where we will receive updated information on new changes soon to be implemented in school's: "Local Schools Local Decisions" and "Every Student, Every School".

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

Also on Wednesday our School Counsellor, Jean Morreau will be at school in the afternoon if anyone would like to speak to him.

KROP

Thursday is a very exciting day at Weethalle Public School. Our dance group have their KROP auditions at approximately 10am where 2 visiting teachers will be judging their performance. Interested parents are welcome to attend.

BOOK FAIR AND BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Also on Thursday, parents and community members are encouraged to visit our Book Fair in the Library and purchase books, posters or other merchandise. Donations to the library will be greatly appreciated.

Our SRC will be hosting the Biggest Morning Tea from approximately 10.30am until 12 noon. Donations of a plate would be much appreciated. A gold coin donation will get you a hot drink and something to eat. Students have designed some fantastic posters with Mrs. Studholme advertising these events. All money raised will go to the Cancer Council.

ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Zone Cross Country will be held at Lake Wyangan (Griffith) on Friday 25th May. All students Years 3-6 are involved. There will be a briefing assembly at 9.45am with students walking the course at 10am. The first race will commence at 10.45am. Radio 2RG and Star FM will be used to broadcast updated information if the weather places the running of the carnival in doubt. Listen after 7am for this information.

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is well under way with many students reading busily. Please encourage your child to participate so that we can meet our school target for 2012 of 80%. Last year 75% of our students completed the challenge. If you need any help locating books on the challenge list, contact the school. We do have quite a few in the library. There will be not only individual rewards for finishing but also a special "whole group" reward. Happy reading everyone!!!

Getting involved reaps benefits

Did you know that the latest research shows the more involved parents are in their child's education, the happier their children are and the better they do at school. Being involved can include taking more of an interest in what your child is doing at school, helping out at school if you can and being supportive. Read more about this at School A to Z:

www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/children-thrive-on-parental-involvement.

Keep smiling and be happy.....Cheryle