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# Weethalle Public School News

Empowering learners for their future

This week all students will begin their regular home reading and home learning activities. Please support and encourage your child's completion of these tasks. Home learning is to be returned by Friday of each week.

Tomorrow all students will participate in an AFL coaching clinic with Development Officer Che Jenkins. Please remind your child to bring their hat, sunscreen, water bottle and joggers.

#### SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our annual whole school swimming carnival will be held on Wednesday at the West Wyalong Pool. It will be starting at 9am SHARP with the All Ages 100m freestyle. The children are all very excited about the day and are looking forward to participating in as many events as they can. Our carnival must be finished by 1.30pm due to a prior booking. Make sure everyone remembers to bring lots of water, sunscreen, hats and sun protective clothing.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to those parents who have returned their Working with Children check. For those who haven't as yet, please do so asap.

# PERMISSION NOTE

Attached to this newsletter is a permission note for years 3-6 students (and any 8 years olds who are competent swimmers) to attend next weeks Small Schools Swimming Carnival in Griffith. This carnival is on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February. Please sign and return notes asap.

#### TRAINING

On Thursday, I will be attending a workshop "Advancing the New School Plan" - where we will be working on further developing our 2015-2017 School Plan. It will assist in reflecting on and developing the 5Ps components, and the milestones of our school planning process. We will also explore future directions in the planning and reporting process. Mrs. McIntyre will be teaching my class.

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

#### UPCOMING EVENTS.....

Tuesday 10th February - AFL Clinic

Wednesday 11th February - WPS Swimming Carnival 9am to 1.30pm

Tuesday 17th February - Small Schools Swimming Carnival Years 3-6 Griffith

Thursday 26th February - District Swimming Carnival in Griffith

Friday 27th February - Schools Clean Up Australia Day 9.30 - 11am

Monday 9th March - Riverina Swimming Carnival

Monday 16th March - Life Education Van

Monday 23rd March - Year 6 Young Leaders Conference - Sydney

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - End of Term

Friday 3rd April - Good Friday and start of school holidays

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**WANTED** - School Dress size 10/12 in good condition, please contact the school if you have one for sale.

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Tullibigeal Football & Netball club are looking for players for this season. We hope to have A,B,C,16s,13s & 10s netball, senior, under 14 football & auskick.

If anyone is interested in joining our friendly, family orientated club please ring Leanne 0427729320 or 69729125 for more information.

Many thanks

Leanne Imrie

Secretary TARFNC

#### **Primary and High school**

#### Jargon buster

Wondering why your kids talk about playing under the school COLA? Baffled at parent-teacher discussions about KLA's? This list of common abbreviations or terms will help you to become familiar with the world inside school.

Find out more: <a href="http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/school-jargon-busters">http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/school-jargon-busters</a>

#### **Avoiding injuries**

Have you ever wondered if your child may be suffering physically from using a computer for schoolwork? Or if carrying their school bag may be causing them pain?

Find out more: <a href="http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/ways-to-keep-your-childs-back-and-posture-healthy">http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/ways-to-keep-your-childs-back-and-posture-healthy</a>

#### **Primary school**

#### **Maths questions**

Are you in search of an educational game to sharpen your child's maths skills and recall? Maths Monkey's Quest features maths questions on topics ranging from addition and subtraction to ratios and percentages. It's aimed at children from Years 3 to 8.

http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/maths-monkey-s-quest

#### Helping your child with homework

How do you help your child while allowing them to develop independence? Teachers talk about how parents can help kids take responsibility for their homework and avoid Thursday night meltdowns.

Find out more: <a href="http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/helping-your-primary-school-child-with-homework">http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/helping-your-primary-school-child-with-homework</a>

# **High school**

# **Technology talks**

Find out about all the technologies your child could be using at school, at home and on the go. Scan the A-Z list for overall knowledge, find out how gadgets work, what their good points are and other usages you may need to be aware of.

Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology

# WEST WYALONG JUNIOR BASKETBALL REGISTRATION AFTERNOONS

Another season of basketball is upon us – with nominations being called for from now by email, up until <u>6 pm the 18<sup>th</sup> of February</u>. The competition is to start on the **Friday 6<sup>th</sup>** March, 2015.

For any new players we will also have two nomination afternoons at the Stadium:

These afternoons are; **WEDNESDAY**, <u>11<sup>th</sup>February</u> and **WEDNESDAY**, <u>18<sup>st</sup> February</u>. Both sessions are from 4.30pm to 6.00pm

<u>Fees:</u> All players have to pay competition fees of <u>\$35</u> and <u>if your BNSW rego is due</u> (now or shortly after the comp starts), you'll need to pay that cost additionally to your comp fees. If you are turning 8-11 yrs anytime in 2015 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost remains at \$40

If you are turning 12-17 yrs anytime in 2015 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is \$55 If you are turning 18 yrs anytime in 2015 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is \$70

The competition is to start on the Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2014.

Existing registered players are encouraged to nominate electronically simply by replying to the email that you should have already received, and pay your fees by eft direct to the Association Account

(all the details are on your most recent email)

Please DON'T leave it too late, as we can only cater for approximately 200 players!

Registrations and payment for Aussie Hoops are now online only. Between 11th and 18th February you will be able to register your child online at aussiehoops.com.au or you will find the link on our WWJBA website being <a href="http://www.foxsportspulse.com/assoc\_page.cgi...">http://www.foxsportspulse.com/assoc\_page.cgi...</a>

The cost will be \$50 per child which includes a new look starter pack. Aussie Hoops will run from 3.30 - 4.10pm on each Friday of our Junior Basketball Comp.

Children must have turned 4 before our commencement date, which is 6 March 2015. If you are playing in the Friday competition already, you are most welcome to register for Aussie Hoops.

If you have questions about Aussie Hoops registrations you can see Justine or Sheridan on the competition registration days being Wednesday 11th & 18th February from 4.30 - 6.00 pm.

Full online registration instructions will be emailed next week. Registration and payment can be completed online at home or at the stadium on registration days where we will have a computer available.

