

Term 1, Week 10
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Weethalle Public School News

Empowering learners for their future

Week 10 is here already. I can't believe how quickly this term has flown. There has certainly been a lot of valuable learning going on at school. Time flies when you are having fun.

SWIMMING RESULTS

Our relay team of Lucinda McCarten, Lizzie Rutledge, Jemma Luelf and Nicole Caldwell competed in Sydney last Thursday. This was a fantastic experience for the girls swimming at the Olympic Pool.

VOLUNTEER

I would like to welcome Mia McCarten to our school this week. She has chosen to return to Weethalle Public School for her Year 10 Volunteer Service Program. Mia will be assisting staff with a variety of activities across the whole school. It is lovely to have our past students return for such programs.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

I will be attending How 2 Learn (Higher Order Ways to Learn) training in Wagga on Monday to Wednesday. This professional learning is a strategy that allows schools to focus on what matters most in schools: LEARNING. We will be implementing this learning consistently across the school and I will provide regular updates in the newsletter. It is a major focus in our new 2015-2017 School Plan. It will help teachers and students to understand the neuroscience of HOW we learn and approach challenge.

EASTER ACTIVITIES

We have an awesome last day of term lined up for Thursday. All students K-6 will be making their Easter hats and engaging in a variety of Easter activities. Parents and community are very welcome to join us in these creative sessions. Students are welcome to bring a few additional bits and pieces for their hat if they'd like. We will have an Easter Hat parade at 12.30pm followed by a BBQ lunch.

The canteen will be open at recess and also for drinks but there will be **NO LUNCH ORDERS**. The BBQ lunch is for everyone and is a great way for the whole school community to celebrate the end of a very successful and enjoyable Term 1. Children can wear casual clothes on Thursday!!



LIBRARY BOOKS

As Mrs. Castle will be doing a library stocktake early next term, it would be appreciated if all students could return their library books before the end of term. Please have a good look around and send all school library books back asap. There will be no borrowing this week.

AFL GALA DAY

There is an AFL Gala Day in Griffith on Thursday 30th April (Term 2 Week 2). If your child is interested in participating as part of a small schools team, please contact the school by 30th March.

FINALLY.....

On behalf of all the staff at Weethalle Public School, I'd like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday break. I hope the Easter bunny finds it's way to all our good little boys and girls and also to their hard working parents.

Staff development day is Monday 20th April
STUDENTS RETURN ON TUESDAY 21ST APRIL

Keep smiling and be happy..... Cheryle

CLASS NEWS

Years 4/5/6

There will be lots of Easter activities occurring this week in all KLA's. Students are asked to focus on their NSW Premier's Reading Challenge both this week and during the holiday break. Spelling, punctuation and grammar improvement, along with vocabulary expansion will continue. In Maths, times 12; division 12 number facts and multiplication algorithms will be taught, revised and reviewed.

Super Spellers

Nicole Caldow, Bethany Ball and Phoebe Skillin

Year 6 students wishing to enrol in Year 7 at a NSW Government High School must return their EOI forms to school asap.

Mrs. Glyde

K-3 News

Premier's Reading Challenge: Last week we read *Alfie's Search for Destiny* by David Hardy. Don't forget to add it to your list! Students enjoyed writing about what they thought their destiny was.

Shared Reading: *Alpha Quest* by Bruce Whatley

Maths: Time

Sport: Last week we had great fun learning to skip with a skipping rope. We won't have Sport this week, but we will continue to work on our fitness in preparation for the cross country, next term.

Super Spellers: Luke Anderson, Mikayla Caldow, Riley Cattle, Sophie Davey, Thomas Sinca, Sophie Luelf and Molly McCarten

This week we will be spending our afternoons doing Easter craft. We will be making our Easter baskets, ready for Thursday. Literacy and Numeracy in the morning and middle sessions will be as normal.

Miss Tye

UPCOMING EVENTS.....Thursday 2nd April - Easter Activities/Hat parade and End of Term

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR KROP (kids rapt on performing)

This year our school will be auditioning for KROP. If we are successful, the following dates are **mandatory** for all children involved. Please remember, KROP is **not compulsory**.



KROP DATES -

*Thursday 30th and Friday 31st July - Griffith Regional Theatre. There will be two evening performances and one matinee. Also, a full dress rehearsal.

***Auditions** - at Weethalle school; week 5 term 2 (day to be advised)

*Rehearsals at Griffith Regional Theatre - Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th July.

TRAVEL - parents are responsible for travel to and from rehearsals and performances in Griffith.

Please contact the school before Tuesday 31ST March, if your child is interested in performing in KROP.

Mrs. McCarten

West Wyalong Junior Rugby League

Training this Thursday 2 April,
before breaking for school holidays and
will continue on Thursday 23 April.
Helpers required for our larger age groups
(U8's, U10's and Junior League Tag).



Please send all raffles tickets and money to school tomorrow!!!!

