

Term 4, Week 9
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Weethalle Public School News

Empowering learners for their future



CAPTAIN'S SPEECHES

Congratulations to Chelsea Hugg, Phoebe Skillin and Leah Caldwell on their excellent speeches on why they would make a great School Captain in 2017. I was very proud of them all and know they will all be very good leaders next year. Preferential voting occurred after the speeches. The captain will be announced at Presentation Night.

DOJO POINTS

Congratulations also to Lily McCarten, Sophie Luelf and Luke Anderson who received a Gold Award and badge for reaching 150 Class Dojo Points. The Gold Award special morning tea with staff will be held on Thursday.



SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Director, David Lamb, will be visiting our school today. We will be discussing school data - areas of growth and areas which require improvement; school planning and future directions; progress made with proficiency as a minimum standard and the premiers priorities. A list of student names to receive targeted intervention in reading and/or comprehension in 2017 has been shared with the Department. An annual review of my Performance and Development Plan and potential future directions will also occur during this visit.





PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to those students who completed their 2017 Premier's Reading Challenge and received their certificates. Special mention to Lily McCarten who received a **Platinum Award** and Sophie Luelf, Jack Anderson and Hayley Jolly for receiving **Gold Awards** for successfully completing this challenge. Well done everyone.

PRESENTATION NIGHT

The highlight of this week is definitely our annual Presentation Night and concert. The whole school has been enthusiastically practising our K-6 production of "Boxing Day" and are excited about performing for the whole school community. We look forward to having everyone attend this special night and helping students and staff celebrate the many achievements of Weethalle Public School. Students are to wear their school uniform for the official presentation of awards. Please have students at the hall by 6.15pm ready for a 6.30pm start. P & C members are asked to provide a plate for supper.

HOW2Learn

Habit of Mind Awards

Broden Davey and Laci Mayall for displaying resilience and a growth mindset when faced with challenging learning.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

On Thursday, both classes will be having a special Christmas lunch. Students are asked to bring something for a shared lunch. The classes will also be having a "Secret Santa". If your child would like to participate, please send in a wrapped gift to the value of \$5.00.



BEST START TRAINING

On Friday, Miss Clark will be in Narrandera attending Best Start training in preparation for assessing our new Kinder students in 2017.

SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM

Our School swimming program commences next week. A bus will be taking students into West Wyalong on Monday 12 December to Thursday 15 December. Parents provide transport on Friday so that we can have our annual whole school Christmas pool party. A BBQ lunch will be provided for everyone. What an awesome and fun way for the students, staff and parents to celebrate a great year of achievements.

Please sign the attached permission note and return with \$10.00 per student as a contribution to the swimming lessons. The school covers all over costs - transport, lessons and entry charges.

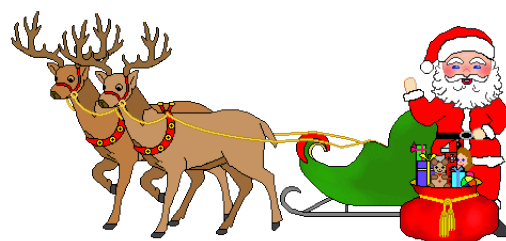
ANNUAL SCHOOL EVALUATION

As part of our annual school self-evaluation, we will be seeking feedback from students, staff, parents and community as to things we do well, things that can be improved and any new learning activities to be included in 2017. This greatly assists in the writing of our Annual School Report and planning for 2017. Please fill in the brief feedback sheet attached to this newsletter. The more families that return it, the more accurate the feedback. Your assistance in the evaluation process is greatly appreciated. Any ideas for school improvement will be considered and acted upon.

TEACHERS STOP WORK MEETING

The NSW Teachers Federation have called a stop work meeting this Friday 9 December to discuss the new award. Weethalle Public School will be fully operational with no staff taking industrial action.

**HAVE A FANTASTIC CHRISTMAS
AND ENJOY A SAFE AND
RELAXING HOLIDAY BREAK.**



Keep Smiling & Be Happy
Cheryle

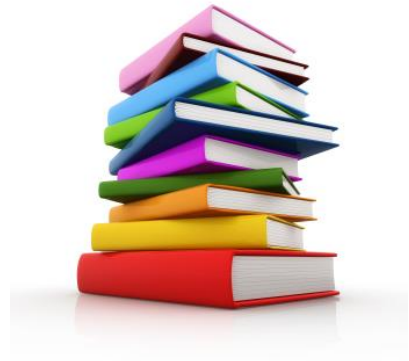


There are bags in the school office for any special deliveries that need to be made on Presentation Night. Just remember to put your child's name clearly on the parcel.

WEETHALLE PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTATION NIGHT

Where: Weethalle Memorial Hall

Time: 6.30 pm Presentation of Awards
followed by
2017 student performance of
BOXING DAY



RELAY FOR LIFE

I have registered to participate in Griffiths 2017 Relay for Life on Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 March. I have entered a Weethalle Public School team and invite anyone interested to join me for this worthwhile cause. Let me know if you would like more details, would like to join the team or have ideas for fundraisers.



If any member of the school or community would like to receive our newsletter by email, please contact the school or email Weethalle-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

P & C NEWS

- * There will be a **WORKING BEE** at the Hall on Tuesday 6 December at 10.00am, to prepare for Presentation Night.
Could all parents please bring a plate to share for Supper on Presentation Night.

CANTEEN NEWS

As we are coming to the end of the year, we are slowly running out of stock.

Please note we are out of the following:

Frozen yoghurts

Choc muffins

Diced chicken meat (for salad boxes, rolls & chicken & gravy rolls)



TERM 4 DATES

Wednesday 7 December -	Presentation Night
Monday 12- Friday 16 December -	Swimming Program
Tuesday 13 December -	School Counsellor

TERM 1 DATES 2017

School starts -	Friday 3 Feb for Staff
Students start -	Monday 6 Feb

Oh
Come,
Oh Come,
Emmanuel
Silent Night
Still, Still, Still
JINGLE BELLS
White Christmas
The First Noel
Oh Holy Night
CAROL OF THE BELLS
Mary, Did You Know?
O Come All Ye Faithful
Hark, The Herald Angels Sing
WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS
Angels We Have Heard on High
What Child Is This Oh Little Town Of Bethlehem Joy to the World
God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen We Three Kings
FROSTY THE SNOWMAN **RUDOLF THE RED NOSED REINDEER**
I'll Be Home For Christmas
OH
CHRISTMAS
TREE, OH
CHRISTMAS TREE

A Carol Service
Will be held in
Weethalle Presbyterian Church
On Saturday 17 December
At 6.30 pm
Everyone is invited to attend
Ladies please bring a plate





Looking for the perfect place to hold a birthday party? Well... ..

We do birthday parties!

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Holland Park Pool

\$14.00 per child

Minimum of 10 children



Package Includes:

1 hour exclusive use of the slide for your party guests *

Personal staff member to host your party

Lollies, chips, lunch and drinks

Kids pool entry

+ Any spectating adults in the party get FREE admission **

For more information enquire at reception or call

6972 2135

*Normal charges for slide applies after your exclusive use and must be used before the waterslide becomes open for the public.

**A spectator is a person that doesn't enter a body of water, and this free admission for spectators only applies to birthdays that we cater for.

GROWING THE SPORT OF
SWIMMING
& PROMOTING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE



BENEFITS OF LEARNING TO SWIM WELL

SAVES LIVES

Water can be dangerous. It should be treated with respect and understanding. Children who know how to swim well not only can save themselves when in water, but are far more equipped to recognise the inherent dangers of water.

CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Swimming exercises and strengthens a child's muscular and cardiovascular systems. The unique environment allows the body to move in ways it cannot on land, leading to better co-ordination and fine motor skills.

BUILDS SELF ESTEEM

There is no doubt that a child's confidence improves when they learn how to swim. In the right environment, parents and teachers can create the sense of achievement that comes with performing skills that were once impossible to them. As children enter school, swimming is one of the ways kids begin to compare themselves to others.

GREAT BONDING EXPERIENCE

There is strong evidence that physical touching, hugging and playing is critical in a child's cognitive development. Swimming is a great way for mums and dad's to spend quality time in a unique learning environment. Many of our swimming parents comment that swimming is one way they got to know, understand and grow with their child.

LONG TERM HEALTH AND FITNESS

Fitness and health trainers agree that swimming is a wonderful activity for all ages. The controlled breathing needed to swim is good for the respiratory system. Swimming uses different muscles because of the reduced gravity acting on the body. Exercising in water is also low impact, meaning that people with injuries or the elderly can exercise without the pain that comes with running or going to the gym.

A SOCIAL ACTIVITY

Being able to swim allows everyone to participate in activities with each other. It starts early with simply being able to go to the pool, or family BBQ as a baby or toddler. In the schooling years, swimming is necessary to compete in the school carnival, go to pool parties and waterski. Later on in life, many people join clubs or groups where swimming is helpful. And of course you want your kids to be able to swim with their children, your grandchildren!

Contact the pool on 6972 2135 or hollandpark@lrgroup.com.au if you are interested in being part of one of our programs.

Learning to swim at an early age not only increases physical development, but also dramatically improves concentration & coordination.

Contact Reception to make your Childs booking or for more information on our programs, squads and fitness classes.

CONTACT
Holland Park Pool
Kurrajong Street, West Wyalong
P: 6972 2135
melissa@lrgroup.com.au
Like us on Facebook

**Australia Day
2017 AWARD NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN**

Nominate someone from the Bland Shire community who you know, respect or admire to acknowledge and celebrate those individuals and groups who make Bland Shire a better place.

To nominate online visit:
www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au or pick up a nomination form from Council's office, or phone 6972 2266 to arrange to have a form posted.

CATEGORIES

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Group of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Achievement in Sport
- Contribution to Sport

Nominations Close Monday 21 November 2016

BLAND SHIRE COUNCIL
west wyalong



Road Kill Grillz

Harvest

Trading Hours

Monday to Sunday

6.30 am to 9.30 pm

Phone Orders Welcome

02 6975 6016

Dine in or Take away