



# Weetangera School

Successful Learning Through Caring and Sharing



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Weetangera School is an  
**ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL**  
Avoiding eggs and all nuts

## Newsletter No. 21

25 July 2019

Term 3 Week 1 :(

### COMMUNITY DIARY

Inclusions may be added in the diary at the front office.

#### August

- 5 Board Meeting  
5:30pm - 6:30pm
- 6 P&C Meeting 7:pm
- 7 11.20am - musical performance  
6:45pm musical performance (night show 1)
- 8 11:20am musical performance  
6:45pm musical performance (night show 2)

#### ASSEMBLIES - 9:15am

26 July 2019

No Assembly

2 August 2019

Whole School Assembly

Hosted by Year 3



### Attachments

Fact sheet for Parents, Guardians & Carers  
Term at a Glance  
Adventurers  
(Religious Education)  
Permission note

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 3!

It has been a very positive, energetic and enthusiastic start to the term and I can't believe we're already midway through the year. I do trust everyone managed to have some quality time together with friends and family during the school holidays.

The Weetangera School community shares the vision that "Our students will learn and achieve to their potential. They will acquire skills that allow them to lead productive and responsible lives." Weetangera School has a commitment to excellence in a caring, cooperative and inclusive environment. As a community we share the common values of *Inclusion, Honesty, Respect, Resilience, and Responsibility*. Below is an outline of our school values, in no particular order:

**Inclusion** - Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others

**Honesty** - Be honest, sincere and seek the truth

**Respect** - Treat others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view

**Resilience** - The ability to recover quickly from any setback

**Responsibility** - Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment

I thank you all for making times with teaching staff for parent/teacher interviews at the end of last term. This was extremely valuable time for us to reflect together on our student's academic growth and achievements from semester one and set some specific, measurable, achievable and realistic targets and goals for this semester. These goals will be reviewed on a regular and ongoing basis.

Over our current school plan 2015 – 2019 there has been an ongoing focus in improving the quality of teaching and learning. Creating a culture of high expectations, providing clarity about teachers are to teach and students are to learn, establishing strong professional learning communities and leading ongoing efforts to improve teaching practices.

A focus for Semester 2 2019 for Weetangera School will be a School Review, at the culmination of our 2015-2019 School Plan. In week 4 of term 3, we will be hosting an immersion visit for a School Review team to work with the school community to develop a thorough collaborative process involving all of our key stakeholders. Our focus will be to work together as a team to establish and implement an improvement agenda for our next 5 year

#### SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

**Parent Reps.** Yehuwdiy Dillon - 0458 866 937, Amy Begley- 0403 498 397 Vijaya Porwal  
**Principal** - James Barnett 61422600;  
**Teacher Reps.** Ebony O'Connell - Natarsha van den Boogaard

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strategic school plan. Expressed in measurable student outcomes, explicit and clear school wide targets, including academic, pastoral care, and student well-being.

Yours faithfully

James M. Barnett  
Principal

## CONGRATULATIONS

Violette B. Kingswim Graduate

Violette has been swimming at Kingswim for 8 years. As a Graduate, Violette can swim 1000m of continuous Freestyle, is competent in all four strokes, has completed the Kingswim Swim and Survive components and thus has graduated from the Kingswim's Swim like a Fish program.

## ICAS Reminder

All those interested in participating in the ICAS competitions in Science, Mathematics or English payment is due by Friday 23 August 2019.

Additional notes can be obtained from the front office or Unit 6.

Janinne Nascimento

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- P&C Meeting Tuesday 6 August 7pm in the staffroom.
- PLEASE ensure that your email address is correct with the school for all future communication.
- Lap-A-Thon money is due to be returned to the school. Please do so ASAP to enable finalising of total amount raised.



- Don't forget to order your 'Musical' tickets. Please use the updated order form this lets us know which session you require.



- With the new SAS system now in use we will be stopping the use of the 'school app'. For absence notes for your children please send an email straight to their teacher preferably before 8am as this gives the teacher time to read before marking rolls. If you know that you have sent an email, and for some reason it has been missed, and you receive an absence notification please ignore it. This will be corrected the next day. Teacher email addresses are:

[name.surname@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:firstname.surname@ed.act.edu.au)

If you do not have access to email please ensure that you send in a written note when your child returns to school.

## Something to ponder about Animals

- the longest recorded flight of a chicken was 13 seconds
- an octopus pupil is rectangular
- giraffes and rats can last longer without water than camels
- owls can't move their eyes from side to side
- tigers have striped skin as well as fur
- crocodiles are colour blind



## READING AT THE TANG

8:30am to 8:55am

The library is open every morning for students with accompanying parents/carers to sit quietly and share a book.

ALL WELCOME