



Weetangera School

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ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL
Avoiding eggs and all nuts

Dear Parents and Carers,

As educators our role is to prepare our students to be active citizens within our society. We encourage risk taking, challenge our students to reach new heights and support them to accept mistakes and grow.

This week our Year 3 – 6 students went to camp and will be practising these skills throughout their stays. Year 3 headed to Warrambui earlier today and yesterday Year 4 went to Birrigai and Year 5 and 6 travelled to Borambula. During their stay they will have the opportunity to complete activities.

There is a lot of additional time and effort put into organising our school camps by our teaching staff. We must acknowledge the extra workload and dedication of Corinne Hannan, Chloe Frost and Chelsea Rees in coordinating the camps, and the time our teachers spend away from their own families for the three days to ensure camp is a positive experience for all students who attend. Thank you to all the staff involved in the planning of the school camps this week. We thank them for their exceptional professionalism, passion and drive to ensure our students at Weetangera are being provided with valuable extra-curricular activities.

Shave for a Cure

On Tuesday 13 March four of our students from 5/6, Tia B, Bill E, Samuel B, Jasper B, were extremely brave and selfless, shaving their hair to show their support for the Leukaemia Foundation. These children have each been fundraising for this worthy cause outside of school hours. Each students' family, staff and children at Weetangera School were invited to come and watch at recess to cheer them on. Congratulations to those students for their efforts.

No Way, Bullying Day!

Weetangera School will be joining more than 2000 schools across the nation and will stand together against bullying and violence. As a school, we have an ongoing commitment as an NDA school and creating safe and supportive learning environments for students every day.

The National Day of Action is Australia's key anti-bullying event for schools and in 2018, schools are called to imagine a world free from bullying and share their BIG IDEAS.

On Monday 19 March, students will be engaged in a range of new and thought provoking materials to get the community talking. Let's imagine a world free from bullying!

Harmony Day

On Tuesday 20 March, Weetangera School will celebrate Harmony Day. This day recognises and celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. On this day we celebrate our inclusive community and we celebrate a sense of belonging. The theme of the day is "Everyone Belongs".

On this day students have the opportunity to wear orange (the colour that represents Harmony Day) or their National Dress. Each child will also

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COMMUNITY DIARY

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

March

- 14-16 Years 4,5,6 Camps
- 15-16 Year 3 Camp
- 21 School photos
- 27 P&C meeting 7pm
- 30 Good Friday

April

- 2 Easter Monday
- 4 Cross Country Carnival
9am - 11:30am

ASSEMBLIES - 9:15am

Friday 16 March

No Assembly

Friday 23 March

Junior Assembly

Hosted by Kindergarten

Attachments



*Video information for parents on parking

*Parental survey: School travel and safety

*Adventurers club (religious education) permission note

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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

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Teacher Reps. - Isabel Dunn and Erwin McRae

participate in activities in their classroom.

NAPLAN Online Practice Session

Students in Year 3 and 5, participating in NAPLAN Online 2018, are expected to have done a practice/familiarisation test prior to the May NAPLAN tests. On Thursday 22 March at 10:30am, ACT schools will participate in a nationally coordinated 45 minute practice test session. The goal of this test event is to support student familiarisation and replicate the load on the NAPLAN platform anticipated for the first session of NAPLAN Online 2018.

School Photos

On Wednesday 21 March we have our annual school photo day. During this day our whole school photo and individual and class photos will be taken, as well as group photos. Sibling photos will be held during lunchtime. Please ensure your child comes to school in full school uniform. If you would like further information in regards to paying for the school photos, please contact the front office.

Regards

Danielle Hoogland

AWARDS CERTIFICATES

At last week's Senior School Assembly certificates were awarded for:

Communication: Benji B, Lachy B, Caelan C, Dom D, Beau S, India C-S, Kai B, Joey L, Oliver S

Creativity: Scarlett K, Harriet McG, Charlie B

Collaboration: Finn T, Dylan H, Emily W, Jessica D, Suroor H, Torkieah M, Brodie N, Lucy M, Zara B

Critical Thinking: Tia B, Maddy B, Jessica E,

Elena P
P&C meeting will be at 7pm Tuesday 27 March

YEAR 5/6 GIRLS AFL ACT CHAMPIONS

On Thursday 8 March, the Year 5/6 AFL Girls team competed in the ACT Championships at Reid Ovals. The team consisted of Ava B, Dominique D, Isabella T, Jocie D, Jessica D, Lucy M, Maddie S, Millie J, Mim S, Olwyn D, Scarlett W, and Zara B. Results for the day were:

Game 1 Weetangera 7.4.46 - Majura 0.0.0

Goals: Mim 6 Isabella 1

Game 2 Weetangera 2.2.14 - Radford 1.4.10

Goals: Maddie 1 Dominique 1

Game 3 Weetangera 3.2.20 - Forrest 1.1.7

Goals: Scarlett 1 Mim 1 Maddie 1

Game 4 Weetangera 4.3.27 - Garran 1.1.7

Goals: Mim 2, Maddie 1, Jocie 1

Grand Final Weetangera 4.2.26 - Harrison 1.1.7

Goals: Maddie 1, Jessica 1, Mim 1, Jocie 1

The girls played a fantastic team game in the grand final, with many of the girls playing their best individual game for the day. Maddie was awarded best on ground in the grand final by the AFL officials.

Congratulations to the girls for their effort, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the day and being outstanding representatives of Weetangera School.

The girls will now represent the ACT in Sydney in August.

WEETANGERA SCHOOL RUNNING CLUB: parkrun

We have started a club for our school at parkrun. Parkrun is a free, weekly, timed 5km fitness event held at 283 locations around Australia. Our nearest event Ginninderra www.parkrun.com.au/ginninderra/ is held near John Knight Park at Lake Ginninderra. These events are held at 8am on Saturday and people of all ages and fitness levels are welcome to participate and dogs are welcome!

A club has been set up under the name of Weetangera School Running Club and we would love to get students, teachers and families from Weetangera School registering as a way of promoting health and fitness and our school as a community. There are a number of students and families at Weetangera School that are already regular participants at parkrun already and we would like to build on this.

People interested that are not registered with parkrun should visit www.parkrun.com.au and once registered select Weetangera School Running Club from the drop down box. For those people already registered with parkrun that would like to join the club you will need to access your profile from the registration page and update your details.

On Saturday 7 April we will have an initial walk/run at Ginninderra parkrun as a way of promoting the club and Weetangera School community members are invited to come along for an enjoyable morning out.

If you have any questions about Weetangera School

Canteen reminder for those attending the camp this week to cancel reoccurring flexi schools lunch orders



NAPLAN will be online from 15-25 May 2018.

NAPLAN Online:

- is more engaging and adjusts questions to meet your child's achievement level.
- delivers more precise literacy and numeracy achievement results to schools and parents more quickly.
- supports school improvement by enabling teachers to monitor student progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development.

Our school encourages all eligible students to participate in NAPLAN. Visit www.nap.edu.au to see how the test works and for more information.





Spotlighting **Weetangera**

brought to you by Kindergarten!

Ollie: *I like playing with my friend Adam.*

Charlotte: *I like writing.*

Felicity: *I like to go to the canteen.*

Wynn: *I liked the swimming carnival.*

Talin: *I like to study.*

My favourite thing to do at school is...

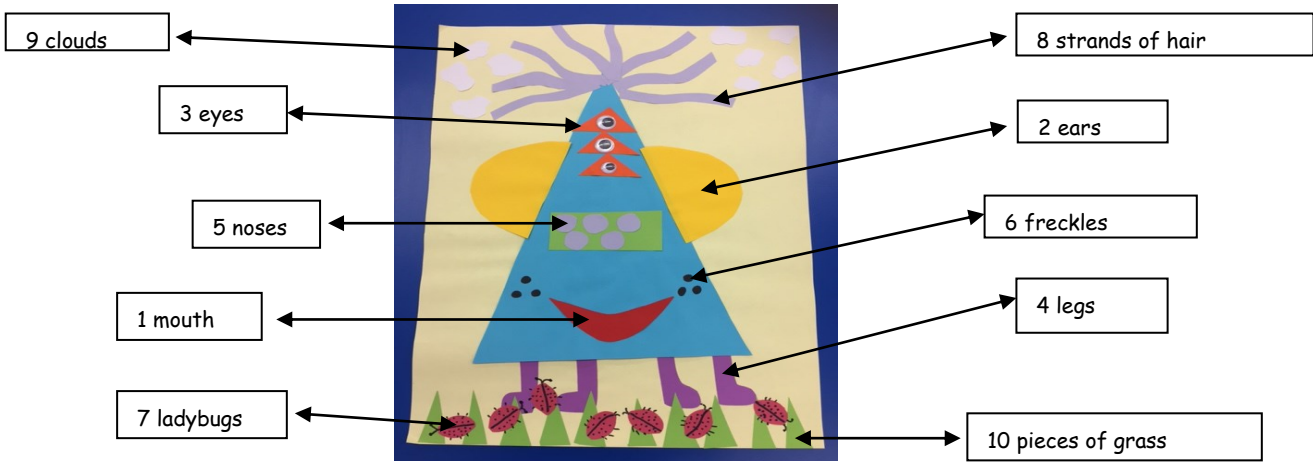
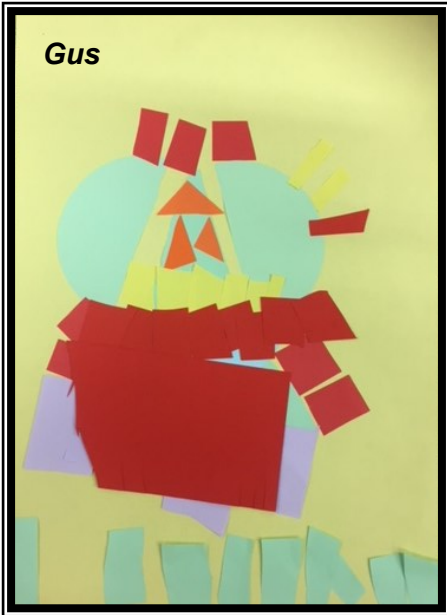
During literacy, Kindergarten students were asked to reflect and write about their favourite activity to do at school. Here are some of their responses.

Hudson: *I like playing soccer on the oval.*

Tilly: *I like learning and making new things.*

Isaac: *I like playing on the whiteboards.*

Mia: *I like to paint.*



Number Creatures

During Maths, Kindergarten students reinforced their understanding of numbers by creating a fun creature.

Learning Intention: Students used coloured paper to create a creature that displays a number of things (1 through to 10), using the example above as a guide.

