

Weetangera School

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

Successful Learning Through Caring and Sharing

Dear Parents and Carers,

Writing at Weetangera

This year we have set ourselves as a school to develop each student as an independent and effective writer. Teachers at Weetangera model the traits of effective teachers of writing as they know their subject and their learners, create excitement about writing, provide purposeful feedback to students, are responsive to student need and guide all students to independence and success in writing.

At Weetangera we believe:

- All students have the capacity to learn to write
- Students need to write for authentic purposes and audiences
- Writing needs to be explicitly taught and modelled



It is because we hold these beliefs about writing that you will see a balanced approach to teaching writing in every classroom every day. A key feature of the balanced approach is the level of teacher support provided at different stages of instruction and learning. Our teachers use a range of strategies to support writing instruction, your child may have come home and talked about these approaches. Each level of scaffold uses the gradual release of responsibility method and develops the child's proficiency in writing.

Modelled writing is where the teacher asks the class to watch what they do as they construct a text and talk out loud to model what is going on in their thinking as they write. This approach provides the highest degree of teacher support.



Shared writing is where the teacher has shown the class how to do it, then encourages everyone to do it together. This is a high support approach but the students are now involved in helping to create the writing.

Guided writing is where the teacher encourages student to have a go by themselves but is there to guide them. This approach involves students writing by themselves with guidance and support from the teacher, usually with a specific focus.

Independent writing is where children write independently with support and feedback from others. Students write by themselves with varying levels of support, here the teacher provides the key elements of time, choice and authenticity to support the culture of excitement for writing.

The next time you are in your child's classroom, please spend a moment to enjoy some of the writing in the environment.

The 2018 School Satisfaction Surveys

The 2018 School Satisfaction Surveys were sent home this week on

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Parent Reps. Yvonne Gray 0414817680; Alex Nockels 0414914006; Janine O'Keefe 0411286853; **Community Rep.** Tomasi Wainigolo; **Principal** - James Barnett 62057488; **Teacher Reps.** - Virginia Hambly; Natarsha van den Boogaard

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Term 3 Week 4

COMMUNITY DIARY

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

August

18-24 Book Week

22 Book Week Parade

24 Onsie Day Fundraiser Cerebral palsy

September

Fete meeting

6-7 Peter Pan the Musical

10 Kenny Koala K,1,2

11 P&C Meeting 7pm

13 Disco

19-21 Writer's Festival

Friday 17 August
Senior School Assembly
Hosted by Year 4

Friday 24 August
No Assembly

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Attachments

Lap-A-Thon Wrap up

Angel of mercy

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Tuesday. Parents and carers, school staff and students (in Years 5 to 12) will be asked to participate in these important surveys. The survey results will contribute to school research and improvement processes.

Although the survey is voluntary, we hope you will want to participate. It won't take much of your time and will help us improve our school for your child and future students. A letter or email about the parent and carer survey will be sent to you in August. The key ACT results from the 2017 School Satisfaction Surveys have been published on the Education Directorate website (www.education.act.gov.au) and a summary of our school results is provided in our 2017 School Board Report.

Book Week Dress Up Parade – Wednesday 22 August

This year our dress up parade will be held on Wednesday 22 August from 9:15am. The theme for Book Week this year is 'find your treasure', has your child found their treasure from their favourite book? We look forward to seeing all the different costumes that come along on the day.

Bec Smith

AWARDS CERTIFICATES

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

Communication: Jayda E-M, Joss K, Zoya H,

Taylah S, Max McG

Creativity: Tilly P, Ollie R (AOM), Ella G,

Sophie W, Joanna Y (AOM),

Rossie W

Collaboration: Noah Q, Tom B, Aarmi A, April M

Critical Thinking: Anish G, Druvis M, Aarav J,

Evie D, Elise B, Roman P, Afia H

Pheobe B

ONESIE DAY

When: Friday 24 August (Week 5)

Cost: Gold coin donation, going towards Cerebral

Palsy Alliance

What: Wear your onesie or some Pj's!

BELCONNEN LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

Belconnen Little Athletics, meets on Saturday mornings at Cook oval, commencing Saturday 13 October. We offer two weeks come and try to see if Little Athletics is for you. Register on-line at www.bwlac.org.au or at the registration session at Cook Oval on Saturday 29 September from 10:00am – 2:00pm. Contact: Leanne Wilkinson at <a href="mailto:blacked-state-sta

BOOK WEEK PARADE

Our Book Week Parade will be held on Wednesday 22 August. So put your thinking caps on and come dressed as your favourite book character.

ANGEL OF MERCY

"A sweet smile has also proven to be pure of heart..." Weetangera student lives out school values. See the PDF attached.

Angel of mercy's many happy returns given to charity



BOOROWA CARNIVAL

We have had an excellent response to the Boorowa Carnival with over sixty students indicating their interest in participating. If your child would like to participate please return the expression of interest note as soon as possible as we need to finalise our teams with the organisers by Wednesday 29 August. There are still plenty of spots available for students to play either touch football or netball.

Please contact Erwin McRae if you have any questions about the carnival.

PAUL KELLY CUP

Year 5/6 Girls State Championships (N.S.W)

On Monday 13 August, Weetangera School Girl's AFL team represented the A.C.T in the State Championships at the Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG). The team consisted of Ava B, Bella T, Dom D, Jessica D, Lucy M, Maddie S, Millie J, Mim S, Tia B and Zara B from Year 6, Jamiqua R, Jocie D and Scarlett W from Year 5, and Dayle J and Gemma T from Year 4. The team was close to victory in their 3 games. The result of each game was decided by late goals to the opposition. The scores were as follows:

Game 1 Weetangera 2.2.14 Castle Hill 3.2.20 Goals: Tia 1, Mim1

Game 3

Weetangera 3.0.18 Narooma 3.2.20 Goals: Maddie 3

Congratulations to the girls on reaching the state finals and applying themselves so admirably.

Game 2 Weetangera 2.1.13 Forrestville 4.4.28 Goals: Tia 2



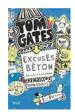
They were fantastic representatives of Weetangera School and the A.C.T.



Do you need a good book to read?



Ghost
by Jason Reynolds
Run for your life!
Samuel



It's about a boy that goes through lots of really weird things!

Lachy



The Ultimate Fortnite
Guide
by Magic Game Guides
It's really helpful for tips
and tricks!
Benji



Gone
by Michael Grant
Will the kids in
Perdido Beach
survive in a
dangerous world?
Jocie



Some of the swans get hit! What will they do? Taisiya



Wonder
By R.J. Palacio
Based on a story of a boy born differently.
Rhiarna



The Fire Chronicle
By John Stephens
Will they manage to keep the books safe?
Hannah



The Monday Sheepdog
by Ivy Baker
About a boy and his new
found friend.
Eleanor



Percy Jackson Lightning Thief It's about Percy finding out he has powers! Harry



Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landy Sidu



Mac Tonight Wikipedia

Mac Tonight was a really

cool character and I think he should be brought back.

Cadar



Ice Fire
by Chris d'Lacey
Will David learn about
the ice fire?
Lene



Dork Diaries Crush Catastrophe By Rachel Renee Russell

Lakita



The Borrowers
by Mary Norton
Is a book about tiny
people who have lots of
adventures.

Jack



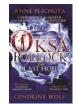
It is about Zombie's family reunion. Suvir



The Dog
Encyclopaedia
It's kind of
self-explanatory
Lucas



Born To Run
by Michael Morpurgo.
Is about a racing dog
who lives many lives.



Oksa Pollock, The Last Hope
By Anne Plichota and Cendrine Wolf Is she who she thinks she is?

Anna



Pranksters Handbook
by K Zone
Guess how many
people you can
prank?
Yash



Big Nate's Greatest Hits by Lincoln Peirce The greatest hits of Nate's life.

Lawson



A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket Will they ever find a safe place? Elissa



Awful Auntie
by David Walliams
Will she get
murdered?
Scarlett



Who escapes and why...

Sarah



When war strikes and your world turns upside down . . .

Aimee



With no close family & living in a rundown home, will the Baudelaire children survive?

Laura

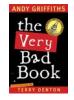


The Reptile Room

Passed onto their uncle.

Will they ever escape, or
even survive?

Lola



The most entertaining bad book ever!

Noah



The Sword of Shannara by Terry Brooks Will, Will save Shannara? Will



A dragon, a girl, fate is what they believe...

Ava

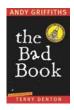


Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows
by J.K.Rowling
Who will win the war?
Rosie



Now

by Morris Gleitzman When Zelda tries to plan a birthday for her grandpa, bad memories ruin it. Lila



THE BAD BOOK
ANDY GRIFFITHS
This book is badder than
you think.
Kai



ONE ACCIDENT EVERYTHING GONE WRONG Henry Mc



Throne of Fire
by Rick Riordan
Can they survive their
quest?
Henry M



The Deathly Hallows

Will the boy who lives help others survive?

Qian



Tetris Effect

I recommend that you watch because it helps us look at things from different angles and dimensions.

Ashton



Magnus Chase
By Rick Riordan
Magnus fights a fire god.
Will he survive?
Caelan



Faceless
Will she ever
be the same?
Tia



The Little White Horse

By Elizabeth Goudge
Will Maria be able to solve
the mysteries of the moon
princesses or will she fall
into a trap?

Rachel



Curious Incident by Mark Haddon

Who killed Wellington, and is Mother still alive?

Micah



The Eye of Minds
by James Dashner
Will Michael be able to
follow the path to the
hallowed ravine and get
the mortality doctrine?

Joev



Whisper

by Lynette Noni
Subject 684, 'Jane Doe' is
trapped in the Lengard
program. One word Jane
Doe says could change
the world.

Katie



The Recruit
by Robert Muchamore
Have fun reading this
book while sitting on the
edge of your seat.
Luke



The Promise

By Nicola Davies

How one person can bring colour to the world?

(this is a senior picture book)

Lara



The 78 Storey
Treehouse

Explore the excitement of the fun tree house.

James



Will Andy and Terry finish their book in time? In the 91 story treehouse!





Soon
by Morris Gleitzman
Just because the war is over
doesn't mean the survivors
are safe!

Maia