



# Weetangera School

Successful Learning Through Caring and Sharing



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

[Our vision, as a community, is to inspire a passion for learning.](#)

With the evening near and the stars shining bright, up from the sky comes a strange gleaming light. Up goes a little bike that's as red as can be, but the little boy can't move due to the awe of the sight on the fateful night. With the stars lighting the sky that is painted by the colours of the night, that cute baby boy on the field of grass can sleep without FRIGHT.

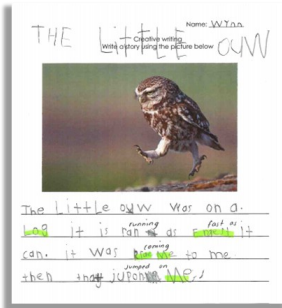
### Starry Night by Ezri Year 6

At Weetangera a focus for learning in 2019 has been around developing our students as writers. We know that successful writers articulate for a range of purposes, and when the purpose changes, so does the text form.

Effective writers also draw on a range of skills while writing: generating ideas for

writing, organising ideas so that they are sequenced and coherent, selecting words carefully, writing sentences that make sense, are grammatically correct and flow, apply spelling knowledge, apply punctuation knowledge, proofreading checking spelling, punctuation and the writing makes sense and recrafting making changes to the text to improve the content and message.

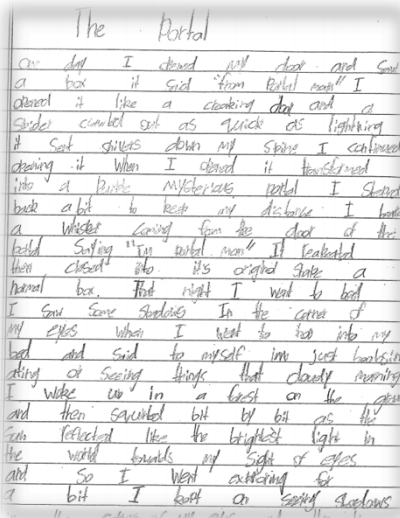
At Weetangera School in 2019 we have used the elements of *Time* and *Response* to underpin the guiding principles for writing. This has been achieved through setting individual writing goals, conferencing with teachers to move learning forward and providing the time for students to practise the craft of writing across a range of purposes.



### The Little Owl by Wynn N Year 1

Students surveyed this semester reported to us that they enjoy talking about and sharing their writing with others and feel more confident doing so. Across the year levels we have seen some impressive examples of how our authors are developing at Weetangera, it

### The Portal by Max Mc Year 3



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### COMMUNITY DIARY

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

#### December

- 12 End of year concert 6pm - 8:30pm
- 16 Year 6 farewell dinner
- 17 Year 6 fun day
- 18 Year 6 Graduation Ceremony 9:15am - 11am

**19 THURSDAY LAST DAY OF TERM**

ASSEMBLIES 9:15 am

**6 December**  
Senior School Assembly  
Hosted by Year 3

**13 December**  
No Assembly

## Attachments

P&C needs your help!

Holiday Happenings

### SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

**Parent Reps.** Yehudiy 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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[weetangeraps.act.edu.au](http://weetangeraps.act.edu.au)

makes us very excited for 2020 as we continue our focus on the craft of writing.

### Fred Hollows Humanity Award

Recently Thomas Liu in Year 6 was recognised at the Fred Hollows Humanity Award for the work Thomas does within the school community, running clubs, mentoring younger children and his kind and caring nature. The awards recognise children who demonstrate compassion integrity and kindness in their everyday lives. We wish to congratulate Thomas for this achievement.

Bec Smith

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



**Communication:** Leonardo F, Roman P, Jivin J, Matthew G, Perrin F, Sophie G, Leon D, Penny K, Shaan J.

**Creativity:** Hannah T, Mia F, Soreena K, Felicity C, Jasper Z, Adam S, Nash B.

**Collaboration:** Evie H-S, Darcy T, Kelvin Y, Kevin C, Grace L, Jaxson K, Sethuli M.

**Critical Thinking:** Aali A, Hunter D, Zea T, Krish V, Ayan S, Ollie R, Evelyn S, Ian M, Harriet O'S.

### CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen end of year news, Kerrie, Belinda and the canteen team would like to thank you for allowing us the opportunity to feed your children this year.

Wishing you and your families a safe holiday and farewell and good luck to our 2019 Year 6s.

### CANTEEN DATES TO NOTE

Thursday 12 December last order day for the full menu

Friday 13 December

Hot Diggity Dawg Day

Hot dog and ice cream \$7

Order via flexischools or lunch tubs.

### NO OTHER MENU ITEMS AVAILABLE THIS DAY.

Please be aware we are winding down and as items run out we will not be replacing them.

See you next year

### LIBRARY

The library will be **CLOSED** as from Week 9 till the end of the school year only open for books to be returned and will **NOT** be open for 8:30 morning reading.

### STOCKTAKE HAS COMMENCED

Year 6 students **please** ensure that your library books are all returned before leaving.

### Tennis Canberra 2020 Junior Summer Registrations Now Open

- Play at an official Tennis Canberra Club
- Taught by Tennis Australia Coach Professionals
- Walk-To-Tennis: After-school Program (selected schools)
- Groups for all Ages & Abilities
- Weekend Competition Options Available

**Special:** Join The January Summer Swing Sessions for FREE when signing up for a 2020 Summer Coaching Package

**Registrations:** [www.tenniscanberra.com.au/junior-tennis](http://www.tenniscanberra.com.au/junior-tennis)



- Barton Tennis Club
- Erindale Active Leisure Centre (Tuggeranong)
- Majura Tennis Club (Dickson)
- Old Parliament House Tennis Club
- Reid Tennis Club
- Turner Tennis Club
- Wesley Tennis Club (adj. Telopea Park School)

### Tennis Canberra Holiday Tennis Camps - Old Parliament House Tennis Club

- January 20th-22nd (Week 1) & January 29th-31st
- Play in the beautiful Old Parliament House Tennis Club Rose Gardens

Morning, Half-Day & Full Day Options

Reserve Your Spot: [www.tenniscanberra.com.au/holiday-program](http://www.tenniscanberra.com.au/holiday-program)

### PARKING AT SCHOOL

When dropping or picking up children from school, remember to park safely and legally. Parking across pedestrian crossings, corners, verges and double parking can block children from seeing the road and this can be fatal. Inspectors will be patrolling school zones to enforce safe driving and parking behaviours.



### SAFETY REMINDER

For the safety of your children and those of other parents, **PLEASE** make sure they use the school crossings when entering or leaving the school grounds especially on Shumack Street. A large number of students were, dicing with danger, crossing from between parked cars this week. Oncoming traffic is not expecting this and a serious accident can occur.

### RIDING BIKES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please remind your child to get off their bike and walk it to the bike compound once they reach school grounds, **especially along the front of the school**. We have had a few staff almost hit by bike riders in the last few weeks. Thank you.

# SPOTLIGHTING

## Weetangera

Brought to you by Year One

I love PE in Year 1 because it makes me fit!  
- Henry

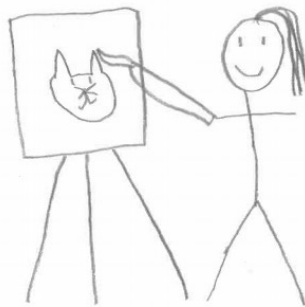
My favourite thing about Year 1 was creative writing.  
- Sophia

My favourite thing about Year 1 was playing on the iPad.  
- Leigh

My favourite thing about Year 1 was doing 'Footsteps' the dance incursion!  
- Bonnie

My favourite thing about Year 1 was making lots of new friends and playing with them.  
- Zalie

My favourite thing about Year 1 is PE because we do animal fruit salad.  
- Archie



One thing I enjoyed about Year 1 was Art because it was fun!  
- Hudson

### Here are some of our favourite things about Year 1!

My favourite thing about Year 1 was doing SRC.  
- Mali

My favourite things about Year 1 are Maths and Art.  
- Zoya

My favourite thing about Year 1 is writing.  
- Jack

My favourite thing about Year 1 was music.  
- Thomas

My favourite thing about Year 1 was making new friends.  
- Lilly





One thing I enjoyed about Year 1 was music.  
- Kelvin

My favourite thing I enjoyed about Year 1 was the 'house' artwork.  
- Gus

My favourite thing about Year 1 was art, because you get to be an artist.  
- Tessa

One of the things I enjoyed in Year 1 was making Mrs Boland's wedding card because I was excited for her.  
- Charlotte

I enjoyed playing soccer because it is fun!  
- Jayson

My favourite thing about Year 1 was the Belle and Poppy videos on problem solving.  
- Emily

One thing I enjoyed about Year 1 was having fun at play time.  
- Wesley

My favourite thing about Year 1 the B-Bots because it is fun.  
- Anish

My favourite thing is PE because it is good for your muscles.  
- Ollie

My favourite thing about Year 1 is getting to play outside.  
- Adam

One thing I enjoyed about Year 1 was the town Investigation. It was so fun!  
- Lara

My favourite thing about Year 1 was learning because it is fun!  
- Sophie

My favourite thing about Year 1 was learning about science in books and with Ms Terry.  
- Lanxi

I liked playing red rover because it makes you fit.  
- Caden

My favourite thing about Year 1 was creating the 'umbrella' artwork.  
- Evie S

I enjoyed creative writing because I like funny stories.  
- MJ

My favourite things in Year 1 are PE, reading books and writing.  
- Mohammad



My favourite thing about Year 1 is creative writing.  
- Tully

My favourite things are Maths and PE because I get really fit.  
- Vera

I like PE because we play fruit salad.  
- Marley