



# Weetangera School

Successful Learning Through Caring and Sharing



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

Dear Weetangera Community

The mornings are turning cooler and the leaves are changing colour. Autumn is definitely in the air. It's a great time of the year to check if your child's belongings are labelled with their name. Many children wear jumpers to school and take them off during the day as the weather warms up, and sometimes these items can be left at school. By having all of your child's things labelled, we can make sure they are returned to you.

### Cross Country Carnival

Our students have been practising for the Cross Country Carnival next week, running the course and building their fitness. The carnival will be held next Tuesday morning, starting at 9:20am. All students need to come to school in their house colours and sports uniforms, ready to race. Our thanks go to Rob Panozzo and the Cross Country committee for all your hard work and organisation of this event.

### Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 camp

The corridors will be very quiet next week as our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 students leave for camp on Wednesday morning. The 5/6 students will leave first, at 7:30am, headed for Borambola, and our Year 3/4 students will depart for Birrigai at 9:15am. Please arrive early as the buses will leave promptly at the stated times. Notes have been sent home outlining information about times, medication, and what to do when you arrive at school on Wednesday morning.

There is a lot of additional time and effort put into organising camps by our teachers. We must acknowledge the hard work of Courtney Martin and Natarsha van den Boogaard in coordinating the camps (including all the paperwork), and the time teachers spend away from their own families for the three days to ensure camp is a positive experience for all students who attend.

### Play Pod

It has been fantastic to see so many students making use of the Play Pod area at lunchtime for creative play. There are more and more things appearing in the Play Pod as families donate items for the students to use. We are still looking for any of the following items to be donated:

- Large cardboard tubes (material rolls)
- Pipes 30mm or bigger (clean, and some cut in half lengthways)
- 12mm diameter or larger rope (in good order)
- Wicker baskets (Easter egg type)
- Large bulldog clips
- Elastic (wide)
- Dress ups (wigs, hats, anything fun)
- Timber off-cuts for construction (must be safe and clean)
- Fun fabric (colourful, sparkly)
- Off-cuts of sponge rubber foam or fake grass (to be cut into Lilly pads)
- XL cardboard boxes, (i.e. fridge size)

### SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

**Parent Reps.** James Badgery 0412552634; Monique Allen 0407595572; Alex Nockels  
**Community Rep.** Tomasi Wainigolo; **Principal** - James Barnett 62057488; **Teacher Reps.** - Isabel Dunn.

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### COMMUNITY DIARY

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

#### March

- 25 Good Friday
- 28 Easter Monday
- 29 Cross Country RE Assembly
- 30 March -1 April 5/6 & 3/4 School Camps



Don't forget to visit our Facebook page



### ASSEMBLIES - 9:15am

Friday 25 March

No Assembly  
Good Friday

Friday 1 April

No Assembly



**Attachment & Insert**

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Please read our web site:  
[weetangeraps.act.edu.au](http://weetangeraps.act.edu.au)

- Any other clean and safe assorted fun items, things that roll, old cameras and interesting electrical items (no batteries please!).

If you think you have anything big or small to donate, or have questions, please contact Megan Matthews, meegs.matthews@gmail.com, Sarah Kamppi or myself to have a chat or to donate.

Yvonne Piper  
Executive teacher

### AWARDS CERTIFICATES



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

**Communication:** Charlotte B, Lachlan McG, Harriet B.

**Creativity:**

**Collaboration:** Amy S, Amina B.

**Critical Thinking:** Luke P, Alexandra L, Oscar L, Oliver McA.

### CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL - Schedule 2016

This year's Cross Country Carnival is being held on Tuesday 29 March. Below is the running order of the events. The start times are an approximation. We are welcoming the preschool students this year, who will participate in a short running event on the synthetic oval. Races will commence at 9:20am.

#### Run sheet

9:20am	Preschool Event (on oval)
9:25am	Kindergarten (500m)
9:35am	Year 1 & 7 year olds from Year 2 (500m)
9:45am	12 year olds (3000m)
10:05am	8 year olds (1000m)
10:20am	9 year olds (1500m)
10:35am	10 year olds (2000m)
10:50am	11 year olds (3000m)

Here's hoping for fantastic weather. Hope to see you there.

The Cross Country Committee

# Happy Easter



*The staff at Weetangera would love to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Easter break.*

## If your child talks to you about bullying:

- 1. Listen** calmly and get the full story.
- 2. Reassure** your child that they are not to blame.
- 3. Ask** your child what they want to do about it and how you can help.
- 4. Visit** [www.bullyingnoway.gov.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au) to find some strategies.
- 5. Contact** the school.
- 6. Check in** regularly with your child.



### 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. Entry is through the library side gate, just slide the glass door open and come on in... **ALL WELCOME**

# Spotlighting Weetangera

Proudly brought to you by Year 6

## Harmony Day

Weetangera Primary did activities on Harmony Day, exploring different cultures, food and learning about who we are and where we came from. Year 6 investigated different countries and flags, we learnt every part of a country's flag has a meaning. Here are some flags Year 6 investigated:

### Australian Aboriginal Flag

The yellow circle represents the sun  
Black represents Aboriginal People of Australia  
The red represents the red soil of Australia



### Italian Flag

The green represents prosperity  
The white represents peace  
The red symbolises the sacrifice



### Flag of India

Saffron (orange) stands for courage and sacrifice  
White symbolises truth, peace and purity  
Green represents vibrance and life  
The Ashok Chakra (wheel) represents progress  
The 24 spokes of the wheel represents the 24 hours of a day.



Once we learnt about flags from other countries we attempted to make our own flags to show who we are. **Head down to Unit 7 to see the finished products.**

We also explored the culture of countries by cooking dumplings and sushi. We learnt about the origin of the food.

## DUMPLINGS

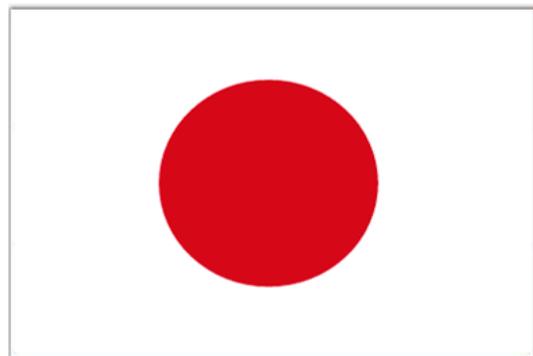


Dumplings were created by Zhang Zhongjian, a Chinese man. This man gave them out to all the poor people of the village in the cold winter. He gave them out in pairs to heal their cold ears. Dumplings are now a popular dish eaten all across the world.

Year 6 made dumplings in the new hall on Harmony Day. Here are the steps we took to make the dumplings:

1. Take 2 dough bases and chicken mince with coriander, garlic and Hoisin sauce.
2. Put the mix in the middle of the base and fold a side over to cover the mix
3. Smooth the dough with wet fingers and a fork so it stays together
4. Cook and EAT

## SUSHI



Sushi was created by Hanaya Yohei, a Japanese man. It was originally used to preserve raw fish with fermented rice. People then began to eat the fish with the rice, and sushi became more about the rice and vinegar. It became one of the first 'fast foods' through street food vendors in Tokyo. With its increase in popularity sushi makers started to use different types of meat, and it soon became a world wide delicacy eaten by many.

1. Take a bamboo roller and place a piece of dried seaweed on top
2. In the middle of the seaweed place rice, vegetables and meat {optional}
3. Now hold the sides of the seaweed and slowly roll the sheet over the filling.
4. Continue to roll and press down firmly
5. Cut the sushi into small pieces and enjoy

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