



Weetangera School

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

Help us reach our goal of 150 likes on our Facebook

Dear Parents and Carers,

The weather is certainly warming up, the days are getting longer, and spring is in the air! There are jonquils and daffodils popping up in gardens and courtyards all over Weetangera.

Satisfaction Survey and Australian School Climate Measurement Tool

Earlier this week you should have received a letter outlining login details and a code for the 2015 Weetangera School Satisfaction Survey and Australian School Climate Measurement Tool. Each code can only be used once, and you would have received a separate code for each child you have enrolled at our school. Please take the time to fill out these survey tools for each child, as they provide important feedback and data to our school. The survey period commenced on Tuesday, and will conclude on Monday 31 August. If you did not receive a code, or are having trouble accessing the online survey, please contact the front office.

Year 2 Swimming Program

Swimming and water safety are important life skills for every child. This week our Year 2 students began their swimming program, which will continue tomorrow and all of next week. Each morning the students leave school at 9:15am to head to CISAC for their swimming lesson, and return to school by 10:30am.

SRC Talent Quest

Our unit finalists have been practising, ready for the Talent Quest final next week. The Talent Quest will be held in the hall after lunch on Tuesday. If you have some time, come along and watch our superstars of the future perform. You never know, we may have the next Guy Sebastian or Kylie Minogue right here at Weetangera! Congratulations to Tarnii Eade and the SRC for organising and running the event.

Library reading

It is wonderful to see so many families making use of our library to read with your child before school. The library is open from 8:30am, and Annie can organise for families to join our library as borrowers.

Parking Safety Reminder

The car park gets very busy during morning drop off and afternoon pick up. We would like to remind all families that there are clearly marked red zones leading up to the pedestrian crossing and along the entrance and exit to the car park. These red zones are no stopping zones, and we request that cars do not stop in these areas (even when dropping off your child). It can become a safety issue for our students as it restricts the view for other drivers and road users, and can block access to the car park. The grass median strip along Shumack Street is also a no parking zone, and is regularly patrolled by TAMS officers and police.

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Term 3 Week 4

COMMUNITY DIARY

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

August

14 P&C Trivia Night
17- 21 Science Week
24- 28 Book Week

September

4 Disco



Don't forget to visit our Facebook page



ASSEMBLIES - 9:15am

Friday 14 August

Senior School Assembly

Hosted by Unit 1

Friday 21 August

Whole School Assembly

Hosted by Unit 2

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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

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

P&C Trivia Night

It's not too late to sign up for the P&C Trivia Night tomorrow night. You can book online through Flexischools or pay \$10 at the front office and add your name to a table. The teachers have organised two tables; we have been studying hard, and are absolutely the tables to beat!

Kind Regards

Yuvonne Piper
Executive Teacher

AWARDS CERTIFICATES

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

Getting Along: Lilly F, Hamish J.

Persistence: Xavier G, Oliver H, Cedar S, Lola F.

Confidence: Jarrah W, Georgie B, Dylan H, Elke Y, Lucy C, Patrick B, Alexander C, Oliver S, Lawson C.

Organisation: Samantha S.

TRIVIA NIGHT

You know all that information you have tucked into the corners of your brain, - *like the fact that strawberries are the only fruit/veg that has its seeds on the outside...* Stuff you thought was useless - Guess what you are going to use it tomorrow nightso

DON'T FORGET TOMORROW NIGHT WEETANGERA SCHOOL P&C TRIVIA NIGHT

**DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM
FOR 7:00 PM START**

Book online through flexischools.com.au * at the front office or on the night.

8 people per table

\$10 per person - \$80 for a table

BYO Drinks/Nibbles, glasses/cup

WEETANGERA SCHOOL FETE

Thanks again everyone for your fabulous donations of jars and bottles for this year's fete. There is still a box in the front foyer if you still wish to donate. There will be another brief fete meeting next Thursday 20 August 2015 at 7pm. If you're interested in attending, please text Nicola Smith on 0405044292 for the address. Nibbles will be provided. Don't forget, if you have a suggestion for something you would like to see at this year's fete there is a suggestions box in the front foyer. Thank you for your ongoing support!

SCHOOL BANKING

Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes.

We're bringing the exciting news that an Intergalactic Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB • 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo²™ Headphones • 200 x \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more school banking deposits during Term 3 and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complete a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. (Please note, students can start the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning).

Win books for your school library We're also giving schools participating in the School Banking program a chance to win one of 75 sets of children's books for their school library, valued at \$200.

For information, visit commbank.com.au/prizeportal

LOOKING TO GET FIT- but not into the gym?

Join other mums from Weetangera School for training on Tuesday at 10:30am and get outdoors, have some fun and start shaping your summer body!

Workout while the kids are at school in a supportive group environment with other mums who share similar goals. Call Sam on 0409044970 or email info@SAMfit.com.au for more information on the Weetangera School mums training group or just to chat about how SAMfit can help you reach your fitness goals.



"Real humanity is shown when we care for others" - Professor Fred Hollows

The Fred Hollows Foundation is keeping Fred's vision alive through The Fred Hollows Humanity Award which recognises Year 6 students who follow in his footsteps by showing care and compassion for others.

The award, now in its fourth year, is supported by The Canberra Times and the ACT Department of Education and Training and is a fantastic opportunity to recognise students outside the sporting and academic realm.

Teachers, principals, parents and members of the community are encouraged to nominate a compassionate Year 6 student through the online nomination form by Friday 21 August. All nominees and their parents will be invited to a presentation ceremony to announce the ACT winner.

To nominate a student and learn more about the award go to www.hollows.org.au/humanityaward

Spotlighting Weetangera

Proudly brought to you by Unit 2

The battery charges the copper cables and that the light bulb was broken as we thought passes the light bulb to make a circuit. The we were doing it right. We could feel the battery output was very low so as we added energy from the battery as the wire turned more batteries it got very bright. The limit of hot because we were holding the wires down batteries we got was four but it died and shorted the circuit almost spontaneously.

Anthony M

I found from the investigation that you had to use both sides of the battery for the light bulb to illuminate. We thought to start with the light bulb light up as the wire had to be in the exact place.

Ellen V

I discovered it worked when we connected the first wire to the plus (top) of the battery and the second wire to the minus (bottom) of the battery and we connected the other end of both the batteries to the light bulb, this at first gave a burning sensation.

Sophie B

When we attached the wires to the battery it lit up. When we attached it to multiple batteries it just lit up stronger and stronger. After putting four batteries to it, it lit up so hard for a moment then blew out and broke the light bulb.

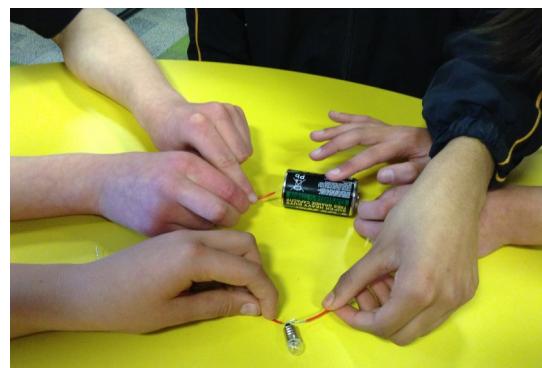
Rhyan L

When we tried putting a wire on top of the battery and under the light bulb it didn't work so we decided to put a wire on top and under the battery. It worked when we touched the light, it burnt our hands. The reason that happened was because the battery was giving power through the wires causing electric shocks to turn the light bulb on.

Matthew J

My group took some time to get it to work. First we tried connecting one cord on the top of the battery. This did not work and we thought there was not enough power. Next we tried connecting three cords to each other than to the batteries but this did not work either. Our final attempt was the one that work. The cords were very hot and that's why I think it lit up.

Will S



You had to keep your hand steady or else it wouldn't work. The light would sometimes flicker. You had to keep the wire underneath the battery. The energy goes through the battery across the lightbulb to make it work. I felt scared because I thought it would zap me!

Faith C

We put two wires on the positive and negative I learnt that the rubber on the outside of the spots on the batteries connecting them to the wire is for protection so you don't get zapped. light bulb. The light bulb would turn on its I thought my prediction was going to work but brightness depending on how many batteries it didn't so my group combined all ideas we connected. We could also use one wire by together and it finally worked. I felt like an putting the lightbulb directly on either the electrician who found a way to make positive or negative side and connecting a wire electricity! While I was holding the wire and to reach the opposite side. The light bulb only the lightbulb was on, I moved the wire on and turned on when we connected both sides, off so I it looked like I was using a switch. positive or negative.

Cameron P

Sophie L

I learnt that the first try didn't work because we got frustrated.

Ryan J

When we put the wires onto the battery and connected it to the light bulb it lit up. This was because the energy from the battery was being transferred through the wires into the light bulb. If you put your fingers on either end of the battery while holding the wires it became really hot.

Erin F

I learnt that the wire has to touch the metal part of the light bulb, not the bottom. When we tried it we had the wire on the top part of the battery and in the hole of the light bulb. It didn't work but we did hear buzzing sounds. Many tries later we found a way to light it up. It was having the wire on the bottom of the battery and the lightbulb sitting on top of the battery. The other part of the wire needed to touch the metal part of the light bulb.

Jessica G

I found out that connecting the positive to the negative with the three wires and the light bulb made an electrical spark that travelled down the wires and into the light bulb. My group and I also found that using more batteries increased the volume of light.

Reece B



My theory did not work. One of my teammate's theories worked perfectly. In the end my group succeeded. We even tried two batteries and the light bulb was even brighter.

Cain P



I think the wire was connected to the battery and you had to connect the two wires to the light. It worked if you connected the two wires.

Nisrien A-D