



# Weetangera School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Preschool News

Last week we celebrated the year with an End of Year Preschool Picnic. It was with a sense of pride as we walked around and talked to families. Our students have grown and changed throughout the year and are very excited to be going to Kindergarten. Thank you to all families who attended the evening.

Last week Weetangera Preschool and Belconnen High School opened the Preschool Mural *Animal's Dreaming* designed by former Weetangera student Jakob Lyons, and painted by several Belconnen High School students. If you have a moment, please take the time to have a look at this bright and colourful mural.

This week we have conducted interviews for our 2017 preschool families. This is a wonderful opportunity to welcome new families into our community. Next year, our preschool will be going through an upgrade of the building over the January school holidays. This will include a new office area for our staff, new carpet, painting and storage. All preschool students will begin preschool in Week 3, Term 1 2017 in our new facilities.

## Book Fair

Last week Weetangera School held its annual Book Fair in our library. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Annie Moore for coordinating the event and volunteering her time each morning and afternoon to allow families to purchase some new reads. We are very lucky to have your dedication to our school library.

## Google Groups Feedback Survey.

Weetangera School is evaluating the effectiveness of the Google Groups as a communication tool between school and families. If you could take the time to quickly fill in the survey it would be greatly appreciated. The data will help us ensure the needs of the community are met through our communication. The survey can be found at <http://bit.ly.2gc4PED>

## Weetangera Music Program

Weetangera School has an outstanding music program, Jan Lloyd-Jones coordinates several musical opportunities for children throughout the year. This year our students have participated in combined band performances, Limelight, Bandstravaganza, The Apple Festival, Weetangera Fete, Assemblies and many more. This week the students will be travelling to Parliament House to perform Christmas Carols, and next week students will be delighting the residents at Vialligio. Our music specialist teacher, Ms Lloyd-Jones, spends endless time coordinating these amazing opportunities for our students and we are extremely thankful. It has been lovely to witness the growth of our performers throughout the year.

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Term 4 Week 7

### COMMUNITY DIARY

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

#### November

30 Parent Helpers Morning Tea

#### December

6 Adventurer's Club Assembly 1:45pm  
8 SCHOOL CONCERT  
14 Year 6 Graduation



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★ **ASSEMBLIES - 9:15am** ★  
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★ **Friday 25 November** ★

★ Junior Assembly ★

★ Hosted by Year 1 ★

★ **Friday 2 December** ★

★ Whole School Assembly ★

★ Hosted by Year 5 ★  
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**Attachments  
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### 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 and Erwin McRae

## Save the Date

Across the school, classes are preparing for the End of Year concert. Please remember our school concert will be held on Thursday 8 December, more details will be in our next newsletter.

Regards



Belinda Brown

## AWARDS CERTIFICATES

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

- French:** Cassandra D-J, Maia W, Noah H, Daisy G, Nelson M.
- Creativity:** Eli B.
- Collaboration:** Daniel S.
- Music:** Gemma T, James A, Oliver S, Amina B.

## WRITERS WORKSHOP

We were very fortunate to have local author Craig Cormick spend some time with students across Years 3–6. Craig shared his knowledge about the craft of writing. The kids had fun making up splendiferous words and using a 'tree' graphic organiser. One of the most important skills as a writer, is to be a rewriter. Every sentence or paragraph can be improved, it just requires you to challenge your thinking! His final piece of advice, 'You can be anything you want but reading and writing will get you there.'

## BOOK CLUB

Book Club – Our final book club catalogue was sent home last week, check it out for some fantastic Christmas presents! Your LOOP orders are due by Friday 25 November, which should give us plenty of time to receive your orders prior to the end of term.

Thank you all for supporting our school's Book Club throughout the year. You have all raised hundreds of dollars worth of rewards for Weetangera School.

## WEETANGERA VOLLEYBALL TEAM

This term the Weetangera Volleyball Team was invited to play an exhibition game during one of the Canberra Heat's Australian Volleyball League home rounds. The Heat players joined in to help the children, and everyone enjoyed the experience which was streamed live across Australia.

The Canberra Heat have their last home round this weekend, and this is a great opportunity for everyone to see some top level volleyball here in Canberra.

**When:** Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 November  
**Time:** Canberra Heat men play at 2:00pm on the 26th and 12:00pm on the 27th  
Canberra Heat women play at 4:00pm on the 26th and 2:pm on the 27th  
**Where:** AIS Volleyball Courts (entry via the AIS Swimming Pool)  
**Cost:** Gold coin

See you there!

Rachel Uren

## BOOK FAIR

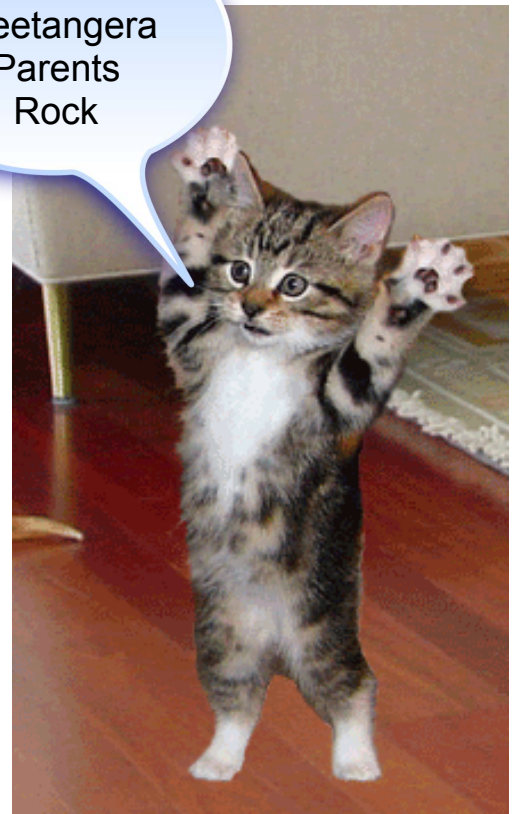
Another amazing effort by the wonderful parents we have here at Weetangera School, I applaud you all.



I know it is a busy, expensive time of the year, yet once again we managed to sell \$4044 worth of books at the Book Fair. This equates to \$1500 worth of new books coming into the library. Thank you very much for your continuing support.

Annie

Yay!  
Weetangera  
Parents  
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**Proudly Brought to you by Year 6**

With high school looming, we have begun discussing personality types in Year 6. We have started thinking about using our strengths and weaknesses to create career paths and transition plans.

Read on to see what personality we think are! What do you think you are? It's ok to be more than one!

I think I am an adventurer because I love being outdoors playing sport and doing other activities. When I face a challenge I push through while staying in a calm manner.

I set goals for myself and push to reach them no matter how long it may take.

I also think I am a carer because I love helping all students across the community and adults who need a favour. When I help students I listen to their problems and solve it in a kind manner.

**Noah S**



The Persuader and The Carer

I think I'm the persuader because I like leading and I'm very vibrant. I also think that I'm a mix with the carer because I love helping people and making sure that everyone is ok! **Ally A**

The Persuader, Adventurer and Investigator

Persuader: I think I am a persuader because I always like to prove my point to make something more successful and I enjoy writing persuasive texts.

Adventurer: I believe I am an adventurer because I am always outside playing sport and doing new and different things. I think I am a bit of a risk taker and always take myself to my limits.

Investigator: I believe I am an investigator because I am always keen to know why and how things happen. For example when I had finished my bath I looked down at the bath and watched the water go down the hole and I always pointed at it and nagged my mum to tell me where it went.

**Laura C**

Investigator

I am an investigator because I like to try and figure out puzzles and mysteries.

**Reilly E**

The Adventurer

Because I like playing outside and playing contact sport. I like playing with my friends and having fun outside.

**Caleb H-C**

Carer and Administrator

I think I would be a mix of the carer and administrator because I like to know what's going on, be organised and I'm quite OCD. I love to help other people and make new friends. I like getting things done, and making progress while helping others and making them feel welcome at the same time! I think I fit these because the things I would like to do when I'm older (author) include these.

**Callan H**

Adventurer

I think I am an adventurer because I love climbing trees, playing outside in the fresh air. Most of my day I am outside playing.

**Lachie M**

I think I am the investigator because I like to ask questions and know how things work. I think my job will be a scientist or a teacher because you need to ask questions. **Ruby F**

### Artist/Administrator/Adventurer

Administrator: I like being organised and doing almost everything in order.

Artist: I don't believe that I'm an artist but my friends think that I'm creative and that I am imaginative.

Adventurer: I think I'm an adventurer because I like being outside and playing sports. And I enjoy hanging out with my friends outside and being in the sun.

### Roxana F

I am the investigator because I try to make my own games work and I find strategies and use them when playing my computer games.

### Lachlan G

I'm a bit of all of them, in a way. It really depends on the situation, my mood, the weather, and the distance from the moon to the Earth. For example, during recess or leisure time, I might be an adventurer, but during class or while doing homework I might be an investigator. I am certainly some more than others though; I'm better at being a persuader than a carer, for example. Really, I think that most people are at least a little bit of everything. There's no such thing as someone who only ever creates, or someone who only ever adventures.

### Luke P

I believe my personality is the artist. I believe this because I am creative and I love to use my imagination. Visual Art is my favourite subject at school. When I grow up, I would like to draw cartoon people for my job.

### Thalia M

I am an adventurer because I love to be outside and doing sport. I like to play soccer, volleyball and do taekwondo, little A's and swimming. I also love to climb trees and make forts using sticks.

### Zoe C

I believe I am an artist because whenever I see a piece of paper I grab a pencil and draw something. I have drawn many things like people, robots and nature.

### Charlie W

### Investigator

I am always asking questions and trying to figure stuff out and I like to think of more stuff to ask and more stuff to think about.

### Lilly G

### Adventurer

I think I am the adventurer because I like to get outdoors and camp play sport and get muddy and dirty. I like to help my dad in the shed and I also think I am an investigator because I like to ask a lot of question and try to get through tough and hard problems.

### Alec M

I think I am an artist and a persuader. This is because I enjoy creating things, and I'm very persuasive when sharing my opinions with others in arguments.

### Louie G

I am the persuader because I like to talk lots and I have a very strong opinion. I like to argue to find the right way of doing things. I also am the adventurer because I like going outdoors and I like lots of sport.

### Saskia D

I believe that I'm an adventurer because I like going outdoors and playing sports, such as netball, soccer, climbing trees. I travel a lot and go to so many different places. I love playing sport at school and playing with my friends.

### Grace R-E

I think I am an adventurer because I like doing stuff outside and playing sport. I think I could also be an investigator because I like to ask a lot of questions.

### Polly L

I'm an adventurer and a carer because I like to care for others and I love being outside. I also like playing sport like netball, volleyball and swimming.

### Amber P

I am a bit of a carer and an investigator. I am an investigator because I always like asking questions and I am a carer because I always look out for others.

### Lillyana M

I believe I am an administrator because I like being organised and I like things very clean and immaculate. I want things to be clean all the time but I'm too lazy and usually busy.

### Josh B