



Weetangera School

'Our vision, as a community, is to inspire a passion for learning'

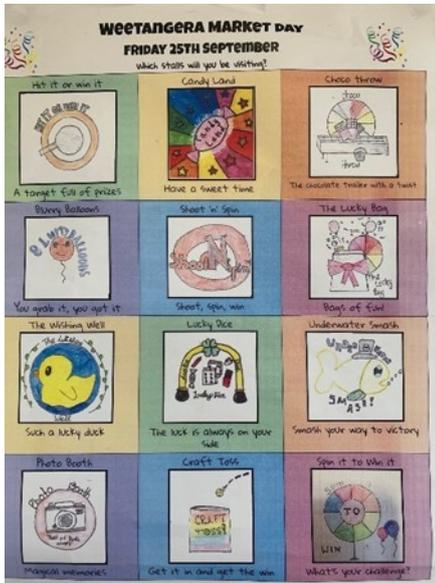


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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 Big Business and Market Day



A highlight of each year at Weetangera School is the Year 6 Market Day. This year with the unprecedented events and restrictions within the ACT, it was unsure whether our beloved market day could proceed. Luckily, the restrictions lifted enough for our Year 6 cohort to craft persuasive argument to Mr Barnett that we would run the market day successfully and safely.

And with that our Year 6 entrepreneurs went about learning the difference between goods and services in business to be able to collaborate in a small group to create a successful business model for their market day stall.

Groups were faced with challenges such as trade offs and making decisions for

their stalls such as: What is best for my business, what is best for my customers? The outcome was a hugely successful development of stalls which will feature in our 2020 Market Day, which is to be held on Friday 25 September. This event will adhere to current safety practices and comply with cleaning requirement for regular touch points. Thank you to all students who have pre-purchased a ticket card.

Indigenous Literacy Day 2020

What will you be doing for Indigenous Literacy Day this week? Our classes have planned to celebrate the magnificent stories and illustrations from indigenous authors and illustrators with a range of learning opportunities. Be sure to ask your child/ren about it!

Jersey Day

Friday 4 September is Jersey Day – do not forget to wear your team colours on Friday to participate as we acknowledge the DONATE LIFE network. This cause has been raised by our Student Representative Council (SRC) and School Leaders as a worthy cause close to us as a school community and our families. The Jersey Day is all about raising awareness. There will be no requirement to raise funds. We are asking students to simply wear a favourite sporting jersey to school on Friday 4 September and begin the conversation at home with your friends and family about organ donation. To find out more please visit <https://www.jerseyday.com.au/>

Bec Smith

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Parent Reps. Yehuwdiy Dillon - 0458 866 937, Amy Begley - 0403 498 397, Vijaya Porwal

Principal - James Barnett 61422600; **Teacher Reps.** - Natarsha van den Boogaard

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Week 7

COMMUNITY DIARY

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

September

4 Jersey Day

17 Kinder Information Session 6-7pm

22 Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival 11:30am– 3pm

25 Y6 Market Day

25 Last Day Term 3

October

12 First Day Term 4

ASSEMBLIES 9:15 am

ALL ASSEMBLIES POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



Attachments

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Southwell Street
Weetangera ACT 2614

Telephone: 6142 2600
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Please read our web site:
weetangeraps.act.edu.au

AWARDS CERTIFICATES

Last week certificates were awarded for:

Critical Thinking: Mohamed M, Joanna B, Youssef R, Leonardo F, Sonita T, Jia J, Emily W, Archer L, Jack B, April M, Harriet O'S

Communication: Zoe L (WOM), Lalo M (WOM), Jarryd D-G, Wren D, Oliver H, Jess E, Tempest T, Katja R, Jayden A, Tad N, Andi A

Creativity: Noor E, Victoria D, Emi M, Io T (WOM), Sienna McN, Zea T, Lily H, Raymond C-L, Rosie W, Kaeli K, Aaron W, Julius F, Oliver McA (WOM), Tad N (AOM)

Collaboration: Scarlett K, Xavier G, Sam W, Erin B, Ollie R, Jimmy P



SPORTS DAY

Weetangera School is holding a Sports Day on Tuesday 22 September for all Year 3-6 students. The focus of the day is to provide students with the opportunity to engage in sports and games with their peers.

Games being run throughout the day include:

- Races
- Relays
- Cooperative Events



Given the wonderful community help during the Weetangera School Swimming Carnival, we are asking for any parents who wish to assist teachers throughout the day. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Ian Lanham (ian.lanham@ed.act.edu.au).

Thank you

Sports Day Committee'

eSafety live family webinar

The Education Directorate, through its partnership with the Office of the eSafety Commissioner and the Australian Federal Police, will be hosting a live webinar for families on Wednesday 16 September 2020 from 7:00pm to 8:15pm. This webinar is suitable for adults and will provide an overview of the role and function of the Office of the eSafety Commissioner and the AFP. It will cover prevention tips and resources, difficult conversations, how to help your child be a responsible digital citizen and how to report inappropriate and harmful content.

Participants will be able to ask questions throughout the webinar through a secure link. [Register](#) for the best experience and full functionality. We encourage you to use a personal PC/laptop or mobile device.

Free parent assistive technology webinar: Literacy accessibility tool for Google Chrome

Due to popular demand this one-hour parent/carer webinar will provide an introduction to the fundamentals on Read&Write for Google Chrome to support reading and access to curriculum, writing tools and accessibility features such as text to speech, dictionary, vocabulary and more. All students enrolled in ACT public schools have free access to Read&Write for Google Chrome both at school and at home, with the license being extended for an additional three years.

[Free Parent/Carer/s Assistive Technology Webinar - Read&Write for Google Chrome \(264 kb PDF\)](#)

BOOK CLUB

Book Club Orders (Issue 6) are due by Monday 7 September 2020.

Please place your orders online at scholastic.com.au/loop <<http://scholastic.com.au/loop>>

Spotlighting Weetangera

Year 3 Edition

Welcome to the Year 3 Edition of Spotlighting Weetangera. In Year 3 you will find the Falcons with Mrs Fulton, the Quokkas with Mrs Godwin & Mrs Domio, the Kungfu Koala's with Mrs V and the Kookaburras with Mrs Boland.

Inquiry

This term we have been looking at nutrition & food production with a particular focus on interpreting health messages to make healthy food choices. One of the activities we completed was graphing food packaging based on the information found in the nutrition tables such as what ingredients are in it, the amount of sugar, energy and salt.



Literacy: Writing

We have been looking at creating 'How to Texts'. Year 3 had two guest speakers come and talk to them to help build the field and write for an authentic purpose. Some different topics explored include: growing pumpkins from seeds, creating a DIY worm farm, recycling paper and setting up a DIY compost heap. Students were then given time to research their chosen topic and finally, wrote and published a how to text. Check out a couple of our examples below.

How to make a DIY worm farm

You will need:

- 2x 40 litre plastic bins
- A drill with a 4 and a 6 bit
- 2x slabs of untreated timber
- Newspaper
- Premade compost
- 250g of worms

How to Make it

1. First you need to drill some holes in the bottom of your bin.
2. Next get your newspaper and tear it up then put it at the bottom then spray it with water
3. Now pour the compost on top of the newspaper
4. Get your worms and pour them on the compost.
5. Layer a piece of cardboard on top of the worms
6. Finally, make sure the cardboard is nice and moist

Check

If you see little eggs forming you did it right! If you don't then that's alright. Just start again

-Maddy, 3B

HOW TO GROW PUMPKINS BY SEEDS

If you follow these steps you grow pumpkins by seed

Materials

YOU WILL NEED PUMPKIN SEEDS, DIRT, WATER AND FERTILISER

Steps

1. First wet the seeds for 6 hours
2. Then make a hole in the dirt with your finger and place the seed inside and then cover with dirt.
3. Next water your seed and it will grow after five days.
4. Fertilise your pumpkin seed after 3 days.
5. After that your pumpkin has grown cut the stem and leave the pumpkin in the sun for a few days

Check

To make sure your pumpkin is ripe make sure your pumpkin stem has flowers blooming

- Olivia, 3DG

Ps... How does your garden grow?

Calling all green thumbs!



Do you fancy yourself as a bit of a green thumb? If you are a parent, grandparent, carer or community member that would like to volunteer some time to spend in the Weetangera School community garden doing some practical work or offering advice, contact Nicole Ratcliffe via the front office on (02) 614202600 or on info@weetangeraps.act.edu.au.

Home recycling tips

Clothing, blankets and fabrics

Clothing is something I think we all have a lot of these days and there is nothing better than having a good sort out but what do we do with our old clothing? Clothing and textiles that are in good condition can be donated or sold for re-use.

Items that aren't suitable to be passed onto someone else can sometimes be recycled and made into new items. Think of using clothing for recycled crafts or homemade gifts such as rugs, cushions, bags, pencil cases, pot holders, placemats.....the possibilities are endless!

Click the link below for more details.

<https://www.cityservices.act.gov.au/recyclopaedia/items/c/clothing,-blankets-and-fabrics>



Nicole and the garden/sustainability team.

School Car Park Reminders



Please be reminded that the car park has a **'speed limit'** that applies for the safety of students and parents who use it. A car was stopped yesterday for travelling at a dangerous speed, and *'I am running late'* or *'in a hurry'* will not make you feel better if you run someone over.

Also please remember that the car park is **'One Way'**, there have been quite a few parents entering from the wrong direction lately and this practice could cause a collision or cause a child to run in front of you because they are used to traffic travelling in one direction only.



The parking spaces adjacent to the kerb at the front of the school are for **'drop off & pick up only'**. Also used for 'buses' when students are attending excursions. Please **DO NOT** leave your car parked in this spot.

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