

# Weston Public School

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School Purpose - to create a happy, secure and successful school environment through effective teaching and learning.



A newsletter for the community of Weston Public School

Term 4 Week 8

Tuesday November 27, 2012

## Quote for the Week

*"Don't walk behind me; I may not lead.  
Don't walk in front of me; I may not follow. Just  
walk beside me and be my friend." ~ Albert Camus*

## Important Dates for Term 4 2012

### NOVEMBER

Tues -Frid 27-30 Canberra Excursion  
Monday 29 Book Club - last day for orders

### DECEMBER

Monday 3 Library closed—please bring in borrowed books.  
Friday 7 Last day for canteen  
Monday 10 Pool Party Day  
Wednesday 12 Presentation Day  
Thursday 13 Yr 6 Farewell  
Monday 17 Carols - 1.30pm  
Monday 17 Volunteer/Helpers  
Afternoon Tea - 2.00pm  
Wednesday 19 Last day for students

### UNIFORMS will be sold -

Tuesday 27, Thursday 29 &

Friday 30, November:

Afternoons - 2.30 - 3.30pm ONLY

Wednesday November 28—Morning ONLY

8.30-9.30am

School shirts are \$22. Please ensure you have the correct money as no change will be given.

**\*\*No sun safe hat play in the shade\*\***



## Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

### Mr Withers - Retiring

On Friday of this week, 30<sup>th</sup>

November, our Principal, Mr Allan Withers will be retiring. Mr Withers has been

on extended sick leave since early Term 3 and Principal of

Weston Public School since 1996. Over the past sixteen years Mr Withers has worked untiringly to provide the best educational and welfare support for students of Weston PS. He has been an outstanding leader. We wish him all the best for a happy, healthy and long retirement



### Drama Production

Congratulations to 3/4F and 5/6F students and their teachers on Friday for their FANTASTIC drama performance. Students had their "Five Keys" (Organisation, Confidence, Persistence, Getting Along and Resilience) really switched on to present such a wonderful performance. Well done!!

### Canberra Excursion

Lots of excited and happy students waved goodbye to parents this morning as they headed off on their 4-day excursion to the Nation's capital city. The children have a busy and exciting week ahead of them. We wish them a happy and safe trip. Thank you to Mrs Fonssbach and Mr Withers for giving their time to escort the students on this wonderful experience. Children will arrive back on Friday evening by 7.00pm. A more exact time will be available from around 2.30pm on Friday. A notice will be attached to the front door of the Ad-

*"Through our gates pass the nicest people."*

ministration building but you can contact the school by phone if you are not in the school on Friday afternoon.

## Swimming School

The two-week Intensive Swimming Program commenced yesterday. This program is for children who cannot confidently swim 25m. Mrs Manderson has organised this program and transport for the students participating. We thank her for her wonderful efforts. Miss Lamey (relieving on 2C), Mrs Scully, Mrs Ross and Mr Morrison will be assisting with the supervision of students at Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre (KKAC). Children leave Weston PS at 12.30pm each day (except for Wednesday this week, 10.15am - 11.30am) and depart KKAC at approx. 2.00pm (swimming lessons finish at 1.45pm). Thank you to parents for transporting your children and other students to this activity so as to keep the cost at a minimum.

## K-6 Picnic Day

The K-6 Picnic/Fun Day is on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> December (Week 10) at Branxton Pool. School activities will be relocating that day to Branxton Pool. Children will need to have 18 behaviour points (as outlined in the Student Welfare Policy) or more to be able to travel by bus with the school. Parents/carers will be contacted if their child does not have enough points and they will need to provide transport and supervision for their child on the day. A separate information/permission note will be sent home with children this week.

## Helpers Afternoon Tea

This year the gathering for our helpers/volunteers will be in the afternoon on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> December commencing with Carol Singing at 1.30pm and a delicious afternoon tea to follow in the staffroom (approx. 2.00pm). Invitations will be sent home later this week. We hope you are able to join us on the day.

*We thank you for your ongoing support of our school.*

*Mrs R. Callinan - Relieving Principal*

## Library News

The Library is now closed for the rest of the year. Please make sure your child returns all

borrowed books by Friday November 30. Thank you.

*Mrs Cheetham*



## P & C NEWS

### P & C Meeting

The next P & C meeting will be our Annual General Meeting and will be held in the staffroom on February 11, 2013. All welcome.

*Mandy Johnson (P & C Secretary)*



## Carols in the Park

Thursday 6 December 2012  
7.30-9.30pm

Cessnock TAFE Grounds

*Bring your picnic blanket, seats and hamper*



**Play to Learn—Wednesday Nov. 28**

**1.00pm to 2.30pm**

**Weston Public School Hall**

**Families with children 0-6 years**

Shared afternoon tea. Meet other Families.

Art, craft activities, play with Educational toys, books and games.

Have a cuppa and a chat with other parents.

Contact Charmaine on 4961 0700 or Teineka on 4937 4549



## Kurri Kurri Pre-school

Kurri Pre-school are currently taking names for children requiring pre-school education who are eligible to attend pre-school up to 2015 ie. Born before 1.8.2011.

We still have positions available for 2013 for children aged 3-5. Please contact Kurri Pre-school on 4937 2110 for further information.