

# 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 2 Week 1

Friday May 3, 2013

## Quote of the Week

*A warm smile is the universal language of kindness.* ~ William Arthur Ward ~

## Important Dates for Term 2 2013

### MAY

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| Monday 6             | JRFH Demonstration - @2.30pm  |
| Friday 10            | Stewart House fundraiser -<br>Wear Blue and donate gold coin          |
| Friday 10            | P & C Mothers' Day Stall  |
| Friday 10            | Regional Cross Country  |
| Monday 13            | Rail Safety Visit - 9.30-11.30am<br>Dollarmite visit—2.30pm           |
| Monday 13            | P & C meeting—7pm   |
| Tues-Thur 14,15,16 - | NAPLAN Testing  |
| Thursday 17          | Last day for Book club Orders   |
| Friday 24            | Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off  |
| Friday 24            | 'Red Thread Day' - Wear Red<br>Gold Coin Donation<br>- Salvation Army |
| Tuesday 28           | 1,2,3 Magic—9.00-11.15am  |

### JUNE

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| Wednesday 5 | Scholastic Book Fair                   |
| Friday 7    | K-2 Excursion to Oakvale Farm          |
| Friday 7    | DRUMBEAT tour                          |
| Monday 10   | <b>Queen's Birthday—Public Holiday</b> |
| Tuesday 11  | 1,2,3, Magic—9.00-11.30am              |
| Thursday 13 | School Disco                           |
| Monday 17   | P & C Meeting—7pm                      |
| Tuesday 18  | 1,2,3 Magic—9.00-11.30am               |

***\*\*No sun safe hat play under the covered areas\*\****

## Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

### **Welcome back to Term 2!**

I hope everyone had a safe and happy break. We have had an excellent start to Term 2. Our mornings are getting much cooler now that we are in the final month of autumn. Children need a jumper/jacket to either wear in the morning or have in their bag. Our lost property box was popular this week with students looking for something warm to put on as our buildings and shady areas are quite cool here at school. Please ensure your child's name is on all articles of clothing.

### **Punctual to School**

Already in our first week back we have had a number of students late for school. Please ensure that your child/children arrive promptly each day for a 9.15am start. Fifteen minutes late each day leads to missing out on 1.25hrs/week and 11.25hrs for the term. The first session of the day is extremely important to children's learning and organisation for the day. Please support your child/children's learning by having them arrive promptly each day.

### **Digital Sign**

Our digital sign was erected at the end of last term but due to complications with the installer we were unable to have it functioning until yesterday. Thank you to our wonderful P&C and their fundraising efforts that provided the school with the opportunity to purchase this informative communication board. It not only communicates school news but reminds people of the 40Km speed limit



for school zones and gives the time and temperature.



### Anzac Day March

Last Thursday six of our students represented Weston PS at the Anzac day March. Thank you to Ryan (Yr 6), Lilly (Yr 4), Hannah (Yr 3), Josh (Yr 2), Sharni and Mia (K) for participating in the March during the holidays and their parents for supporting their students on the day. Special thanks to Mandy Johnson for organising the students for the March and each year on Anzac Day. Students shared their Anzac Day event at the Assembly today.



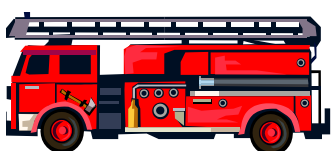
### Weston Fire Station Open Day

**When:** Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> May

**Time:** 10.00am - 2.00pm

**Where:** Weston Fire Station

Meet your local firefighters. Learn about fire safety. Check out a fire truck Fire safety demonstrations. Showbags for the children



### Calendar of Events

Please refer to the Term Calendar (Important Dates for Term) at the front of the Bulletin which is updated each week. We try to give parents/caregivers as much notice as possible but sometimes due to unforeseen circumstances this does not happen. We apologise in advance if this should happen.

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

*Mrs R. Callinan*  
*Principal*

### Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is back!

Date: Wednesday June 5 (Week 6).

There will be a colouring competition for each student to complete. One winner from each class will receive a \$10 bookfair voucher to be used on Wednesday 5/6/13.

### Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for Heart—Friday May 24 (Week4)

*Weston PS JRFH 2013 fundraiser target for our WHOLE School is \$4000-we can do it!!*

Reminder: keep raising money for the Heart Foundation and collect sponsors.

Log in:

[www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumpropeforheart](http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumpropeforheart)

For more details and to register online.

### Behaviour Program—1,2,3 Magic

1,2,3 Magic is a successful and practical program for managing behaviours. This Term we will be running the 1,2,3 Magic for any parent who feels that their family could benefit from a positive, consistent, clear approach to managing the challenging behaviours that children can demonstrate. Limited places are available for this program so please register quickly by completing the attached slip at the end of this Bulletin and return to Mrs Cheetham.

1,3,3 Magic details:

Session 1 - Tuesday 28/5/13 (Week 5)



Session 2 - Tuesday 4/6/13 (Week 6)  
 Session 3 - Tuesday 11/6/13 (Week 7)  
 Session 4 - Tuesday 18/6/13 (Week 8)

**Session times: 9.00—11.15am**

1,2,3 Magic instructor: **Mrs Donna Curtis**

1,2,3 Coordinator: **Mrs Kate Cheetham**

Where: Weston Public School Library

Light refreshments available.

## DRUMBEAT Group Tour

Our Drumbeat Group will tour Maitland Community Pre-School on Monday June 3 and Friday June 7. Mrs Fonssbach's DRUMBEAT group will be performing at Maitland Community Pre School. The Drumbeat group have been using jimbay drums to play rhythms, chants and games. The DRUMBEAT program has been operating at Weston PS this year and aims to teach children how to build Resilience and improve social skills. Permission notes will be sent home soon.



## Lucky Library Borrowers

We had lots of borrowers during Term 1 in the Library, which means lots of reading! Well done to everyone who has been remembering their books each week and borrowing new ones. Borrowing books helps us to improve our reading and allows us to learn new things! At the end of each term, we will be having a 'Lucky Borrowers Draw'. For Term 1, our lucky borrowers were;

Aaymen McDonald (6F), Kaylee Jones (4/5F),  
 Jessica Ainsworth (3/4W), Cody Turner (2/3M),  
 Makayla Richardson (1/2C), Chloe Connell (1B),  
 Kayde McCaffrey (KB) and Ebony Carter (KH).  
 AND!!! Our overall, 'Big Lucky Borrower' was Lexi

Redshaw from 1B. Lexi won a voucher for her and a friend to go to the movies. Well done to all of our winners!

**Mrs Clark—Librarian**

## P & C News

### P & C Meeting

Our next P & C meeting will be held on Monday, 13th May, in the staffroom at 7pm. All welcome.

### Anzac Day Service

I would like to thank the parents who brought their children to march in the Anzac parade. Thank you also to Lillian Stewart and Ryan Day who represented our captains who couldn't attend. Ryan and Lillian marched proudly with our school flag and presented our wreath. We had 6 children in attendance well done to you all for your attendance and excellent behaviour on the day.

### Mother's Day Stall

Mother's Day Stall will be held on Friday, May 10. Prices will range from \$3 to \$7.

**Mandy Johnson - P & C Secretary**

## Weston Public School - Behaviour Program 1,2,3 Magic

I \_\_\_\_\_ parent of \_\_\_\_\_

Wish to register for the four 1,2,3 MAGIC Program sessions.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



## Stories in the Shops



**FREE** for you & your kids -

just inside Cessnock Marketplace!

**Join us to hear a story & sing a song**

**Where:** Cessnock Marketplace

(195/205 Wollombi Road Cessnock)

**When:** Every 2nd Wednesday,  
during school terms

**Time:** 9:30 - 11:30 am

**Age:** Young children 0—5 years and  
their parents/ carers

Phone Charmaine: 4961 0700

Phone Jane: 4990 9354

Or look out for us on Wednesdays

Dates for 2013

May: 1st, 15th  
June: 12th, 26th  
July: 24th  
Aug: 7th, 21st

Sep: 4th, 18th  
Oct: 16th, 30th  
Nov: 13th, 27th  
Dec: 4th



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**CALLING PARENTS OF BABIES!**

Would you like to find out more about?

Brain development & Play

Language and Early Literacy

Fussy eaters, teething, sleeping & biting

Bonding and Attachment

## BBY TALK-

**A PRACTICAL PARENTING  
GROUP FOR YOU AND YOUR  
LITTLE ONE**

Location: Weston Public School Hall, Weston

Day: Every second Wednesday

Date: Starting 15th May - 10th July (5 sessions)

Time: 1pm—2.30pm

\* For Parents with children

under 18 months—bring your bub \*

To find out more please ring Charmaine on 4961 0700

Or Teineka on 4937 4549

FREE child supervision with Play 2 Learn Weston  
available for older children under 6 years.

**Play 2**



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