

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 7

Wednesday June 12, 2013

Quote of the Week

To truly hear you must quiet the mind.

~ Anonymous~

Important Dates for Term 2 2013

JUNE

Thursday 13	School Disco
Thursday 13	Last day for Pie Drive Orders to be handed in
Monday 17	P & C Meeting—7pm
Monday 17	Last day for Book Club Orders
Tuesday 18	1,2,3 Magic—9.00-11.00am
Friday 21	Pie Drive orders return to school
Friday 21	Last Day for Term 2

TERM 3—July

Monday 15	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 16	Students resume

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

Voluntary Contributions

\$20 per Student or \$50 for 3 or more students. Contributions can be paid in full or at \$5.00 per term at the office.

Pie Drive

This is the last week to hand Pie Drive order forms in. All orders will need to be returned to the office no later than **tomorrow (Thursday June 13)**. Pie orders will be delivered to the school on Friday June 21.



Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Welcome to Week 7!

K-2 students had a lovely day last Friday for their visit to Oakvale Farm. They were most fortunate that the rain held off for their wonderful day that had been organised by Mrs Manderson and the K-2 teachers. There were lots of happy children at the end of the day busily sharing their experiences. Thank you to all parents and staff for their efforts on the day.

Premier's Sporting Challenge

Students and Staff are now in their **fourth** week of the **Premier's Sporting Challenge**. Please support your child/children as they work as a class team to increase their physical activity and improve their health.



Disco

Our second Disco for the year is on Thursday this week. The Disco commences at 5.00pm and concludes at 7.00pm. Children need to have 18 Behaviour Points or more to be eligible to attend this privilege activity. Students were given a separate information note last week that will need to be returned to class teachers with parent/carer contact information.

Drumbeat Tour

Last week eight of our Aboriginal students travelled to Maitland Community Preschool with Mrs Cheetham and Mrs Fonssbach to present a performance. The students performed on both Monday and Friday. Another group of students will be per-

forming at Weston Preschool next week and at other local schools for the Kurri Kurri Learning Community NAIDOC Week activities in Week 1 Term 3.

Maitland Community Preschool praised the students on their behaviour and performance. Everyone had a fantastic time. Congratulations on your wonderful efforts students and staff!



Student Arrival Time Competition

We are still running our class attendance competition. It is crucial to children's learning that they arrive to school each day on time. The class that has the best attendance where each class member is arriving on time (or the least number of students late) will have a free sausage sizzle and movie at the end of the term. There are extenuating circumstances that may arise where children are late which is why we will be rewarding the class with the least number of students late instead of no late arrivals.



We thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Mrs R. Callinan - Principal

P & C News

P & C Meeting

Our next P & C meeting will be held on Monday, June 17, in the staffroom at 7pm. All welcome.

Canteen News

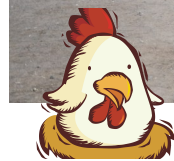
As of tomorrow the only milk supply within the canteen will be Breaka Long Life Milk. Hopefully next week we will have a new milk supplier.

Mandy Johnson - P & C Secretary

K-2 Oakvale Farm Excursion

Last Friday K-2 travelled by bus to Oakvale Farm. The rain kept away long enough for everyone to have a beautiful day. The children interacted with a range of animals from farm babies, Australian fauna to slithering reptiles. We would like to thank the parents that attended for their support on the day.

Miss Brown (KB Teacher)





NAIDOC WEEK 2013

Free activities and family fun



Join the celebrations in Melford



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2013

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**EVERYBODY
WELCOME**

MONDAY 8 JULY

Street March

9.30 am
Depart Maitland Court House

★ 12.30 pm
Flag raising at Mindaribba LALC,
1A Chelmsford Drive, Melford

★ 1.00 pm
FREE BBQ lunch

TUESDAY 9 JULY

Elders Luncheon

10.00 am - 2.00 pm

Mindaribba LALC,
1A Chelmsford Drive, Melford

RSVP by 2 July to 02 4015 7000 or
email admin@mindaribbalalc.org



WEDNESDAY 10 JULY

Sports Day

10.00 am - 2.00 pm

Melford Playing Fields

FOR ALL AGES

*Bring
your
mates!*

★ Games include: touch football,
soccer, basketball and relay races

Team registrations from 9.30 am

★ FREE sausage sizzle

Youth Disco (Up to 18 yrs)

6.00 pm - 9.00 pm

Mindaribba LALC,
1A Chelmsford Drive, Melford

*Children must be accompanied by
an adult



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THURSDAY 11 JULY

Business Forum Luncheon

9.30 am - 3.00 pm

Mindaribba LALC,
1A Chelmsford Drive, Maitland

★ Guest speakers:
Eric Johnson, Assistant Development
Director of UrbanGrowth NSW

Andrew Smith, CEO, Maitland
Aboriginal Land Council



FRIDAY 12 JULY

Family Fun Day

10.00 am - 3.00 pm

Mindaribba LALC,
1A Chelmsford Drive, Maitland

★ FREE rides and entertainment
including pop up playground, colour-
in competition, facepainting, sizzler,
giant slide, cup and saucer, gladiator
duel, Mickey's castle

★ FREE BBQ lunch

★ Information stalls by Medicare
Local, Samaritans, HNE Health,
Cancer Council, AES, MIALC Youth
Worker, Maitland City Council and
Joblink Plus

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This year's theme for national NAIDOC Week proudly celebrates the 50th anniversary of the presentation of the Yirrkala Bark Petition to the Federal Parliament. In August 1963, the Yolngu people of Yirrkala in northeast Arnhem Land sent two bark petitions - framed by traditional ochre paintings of clan designs - to the Australian House of Representatives. The petitions protested the Commonwealth's granting of mining rights on land sacred to the Arnhem Land people and sought the recognition by the Australian Parliament of the Yolngu people's traditional rights and ownership of their land. According to the Yolngu country under Yolngu law, the petitions were the first traditional documents recognised by the Commonwealth Parliament and helped shape the nation's acknowledgement of Aboriginal people and their land rights. We value the foresight, strength and determination of the Yolngu people whose bark petitions set in motion a long process of legislative and constitutional reform for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



Special Olympics

Making it possible to play sport, have fun,

A Movie Night for Special Olympics Hunter Valley in aid of our local intellectually disabled athletes. Help raise money to send our Athletes to the Asia Pacific Games in Newcastle!



Event: Movie Night
 When: 6:30pm, 26 June 2013
 Where: Refurbished and Digitalised Lake Cinema Main Rd Boolaroo
 What: Despicable Me 2
 Cost: \$10pp plus Chips and Drinks available to purchase.

Order Tickets:

Ring or text Gail Nay on Mob: 0401 580 663 or email at d_gnay@bigpond.com

Direct payments to: Special Olympics Australia Hunter Valley, BSB: 032078, Account: 534914 with your name as the reference or post to Veronica Nicholson PO BOX 181 Rutherford 2320 or make arrangements with Gail Nay.

Invite Friends & Neighbours Movie Night

Come and join us for a private screening of Despicable Me 2 and purchase chips and drinks at the door.

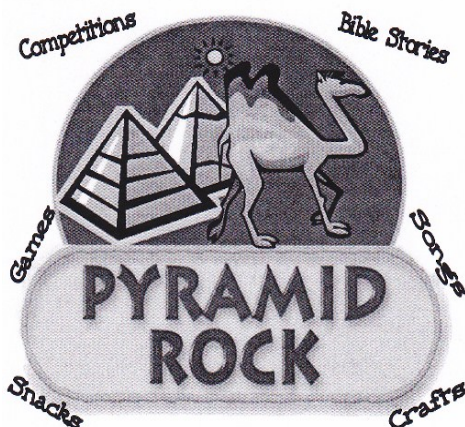
Special Olympics provides sporting opportunities for all people with an intellectual disability regardless of their skills. Whilst some athletes strive to win medals, many others simply enjoy the chance to be active, have fun and make friends while being part of a family where they are accepted and acknowledged for their personal achievements, be they great or small.

People with an intellectual disability are often misunderstood, isolated or simply ignored. Special Olympics supports them to improve their health, develop self-confidence and bring joy to themselves, their families and their community.

Carl says he likes Special Olympics, 'because it makes me feel like other kids and I don't have to worry about what I can't do. I can compete to the best of my ability and make new friends.'

Special Olympics Hunter Valley Region
 PO Box 54, Wallsend NSW 2287
<http://www.specialolympics.com.au/huntervalley>
 Enquiries: Gail Nay: 0401 580 663
d_gnay@bigpond.com
 ABN 28 050 738 728

ADVENTURE TIME 2013



Kurri Kurri Congregational Church
 Hampden Street, Kurri Kurri
 Monday 1st to Friday 5th July, 2013
 9:30am - 12:30pm

Boys and girls 5 years to 12 years!

Further Information
 Ph: 4937 4377 or 4937 1049

Cost : \$2.50 per day per child
 (Family concession available)



Career Skills and Education Pathways

Maitland TAFE Campus

Want to re-enter the workforce or go on to further study but need to brush up on your skills first?

The staff at Maitland TAFE Career Skills and Education can help

Our Courses for Semester 2, 2013

Career Education and Employment for Women – CEEW (Certificate 2) 10697 – Free course

This course is designed to build confidence, investigate and make informed decisions about career options and help you gain the skills to either re-enter the workforce or return to study.

Contact Course Coordinator - Donna Clark – Ph: 49 302 926

Skills for Work and Training – SWAT (Certificate 2) 10697 – Free Course

For people who have completed their school certificate or those who have left school and who want to improve their chances of entering the workforce or gain skills needed to enter further study, this course offers a range of subjects which develop your work related skills and general education at year 10 level.

Contact Head Teacher - Jeanette McKenzie – Ph: 49 302 827

Preparation for Vocational and Further Study – TPC Prep (Certificate 3) 9046

This course is at a Year 11 level of skills and knowledge; it is the first stage of the Tertiary Preparation Certificate (Year 12 level). Successful students will be awarded a certificate 3 at the end of the semester. Students wishing to complete TPC studies and/or gain a TES for university will enrol in the course 9048 in 2014, taking credit points with them.

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Information and enrolment sessions – 25th and 26th June - Please phone for details