

# 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 3 Week 8

Tuesday 3rd September, 2013

## Quote of the Week

*Loving, caring, sharing-this is a family.  
~ Anonymous ~*

## Important Dates for Terms 3 & 4 2013

### September

- Monday 9 P & C meeting—7pm  
Monday 9 Kinder Pre-school visit  
Monday 16 Science Challenge Day  
Thursday 19 Teddy Bear's Picnic  
(Kinder/pre schoolers) 10-11am  
Friday 20 Last day for Term 3  
**Monday 23- Monday October 7 School Holidays**  
(No Staff Development Day)

### TERM4

### October

- Wednesday Kinder Orientation 9.30-11.00am

### November

- Monday 4 - Wednesday 6 - Aussie Bush Camp  
Monday 25 Friday—6 December  
School Swimming Scheme  
**\*\*No sun safe hat play under the  
covered areas\*\***

## Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

We hope all of our families had a lovely day celebrating Father's Day at the weekend. Thank you to the P&C Association for their wonderful Father's Day stall on Friday. I'm sure our fathers were most appreciative of your efforts. Thank you!



## Privileged Activities

At Weston PS students need to have 18 behaviour points or more to participate in privilege activities.

(Eg. discos, excursions, Zone representation). Students who are diagnosed with a disability and receive Integration Funding Support (IFS) may attend privilege activities if they do not have 18 behaviour points or more as long as they are supervised by their parents. Students are not discriminated against for being on IFS and therefore are able to attend with parent supervision. The remaining student population MUST have 18 behaviour points or more to attend a privilege activity.



## Code of Conduct

At present our executive members of staff are working on a Code of Conduct for everyone to follow for the safety and well-being of students, staff and community members at our school.

**Next week parents will find that they will need to farewell their child/children each morning at the gate they enter unless they need to go to the office or canteen. In the afternoon parents/community members must remain outside the school until the bell rings at 3.15pm.** We have had to take this action as unfortunately community issues are starting to come into our school and placing the safety and well-being of others at risk.

We thank you in advance for your support with the implementation of the Code of Conduct which is anticipated to start as of Monday Week 9 (next week). The care, safety and well-being of students is EVERYONE'S number one priority at Weston Public School.

## 2014 Student Leader Nominations

Next term students in Year 5 will have the opportunity to nominate for a School Captain, Vice-Captain or House Captain. These representative

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

positions are not only a role of responsibility but also a privileged position in the school. Year 5 students will need to have 18 behaviour points or more to be eligible when these nominations take place in Week 5 next term. Students need to be consistently following our school rules - **Safety, Kindness and Respect.**

### Student medical forms

Parents/carers who received a copy of the new medical form to update for their child/children and have not returned them to the office need to do so ASAP.



### Complete Learning Initiative (CLI) order forms are due back soon!

Don't miss your chance to order software from the Complete Learning Initiative.

46 titles up to 95% off  
Incredible value bundles from \$19.95  
Complete, consolidate or update your collection  
Fun learning for your child  
Free 3 month ZooWhiz Premium subscription for each child

The CLI leaflets were distributed to the school community last week. **The closing date for orders is 6/9/13 (Friday).** Please return your orders to the front office or your classroom teacher so that we can send them off. *\*Late orders must be lodged directly with EdAlive and will incur extra postage and handling charges.*



Thank you for your ongoing support of our school,

**Mrs R Callinan**  
Principal

### 2/3M—News

A Happy Father's Day to all the special role models of 2/3M students. I would just like to take the opportunity to say thank you to Kiara's mum (Jodie) from 3/4W for donating the time as well as all the equipment and materials to assist both 2/3M and 3/4W in making such beautiful Father's Day cards for the special role models in their lives. The students from both classes had such a great time!

**Mrs Manderson**



### P & C News

#### P & C Meeting

Our next P & C meeting will be held on Monday, September 9, in the staffroom at 7pm. All welcome.

#### Father's Day Stall

Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Father's Day stall and to parents and children who purchased from the stall. We hope all fathers/carers enjoyed their day and gifts.

**Mandy Johnson - P & C Secretary**

## WPS Equipment Opening

Last Friday (Week 7) Weston Public School students opened their new playground equipment areas. The school decided to invest in the equipment to instigate improvement in student's upper body strength which has been steadily decreasing over the years. The equipment was purchased using money from the schools Transitional Equity Funds as a result of being on the Priority Schools Program for a number of years.

There are two equipment areas; one area is set up for K-2 students while the other area is set up for 3-6 students.

The school had a lucky draw to see which student from K-2 and 3-6 would be the first to use their equipment these students also had the privilege of cutting the ribbon to officially open the play areas.

## Equipment Rules

**No jewellery** (Small studs and sleepers in ears are ok).

Full brim hats must be worn –No strings, to keep the hat from blowing off, can be attached to them – This is a **CHOKING HAZARD**.

No climbing up slide.

Hands must grip bars at all times when swinging (no swinging from knees).

No sitting or perching on top of monkey bars.

No playing tips or chasing games on or around the equipment.

No jumping off equipment.

No throwing wood chips.

If you CAN'T reach equipment standing on your feet you CAN'T use it.

### Snr Equipment



### Jnr Equipment



Lachlan Redshaw opening and using senior equipment.

Grace Smidt opening and using junior equipment.





# Weston Public School's Teddy Bear Picnic



*Come and join our Kindergarten teachers and students*

*Bring your Teddy and a picnic rug*

*enjoy some fresh fruit and fun activities with your new Kindy friends*

*Week 10*

*Thursday 19th September*

*10am till 11am*

*Certificates awarded for some special bears*



# 'Cricket Fun' holiday clinics September 2013



## Hunter-wide cricket fun holiday clinics in September

- Six 'Cricket fun' holiday clinics for 5-8 year-olds which will mirror the Cricket Australia junior entry point program –MIL0 in2CRICKET.
- 'Cricket fun' will focus on introductory games/activities for younger participants and will utilise plastic equipment.
- For boys and girls aged 5 to 8 years who are interested in cricket. These clinics will cater for current and prospective players.

Date/Time	Venue	Cost	Program number
Wednesday September 25 10am-11:30am	Charlestown Charlestown Oval, Pacific Highway	\$10	0064794
Wednesday September 25 3pm-4:30pm	Toronto Ron Hill Oval, Straight Drive	\$10	0064795
Thursday September 26 10am-11:30am	Thornton Somerset Oval, Somerset Drive	\$10	0064797
Thursday September 26 3pm-4:30pm	Raymond Terrace King Park, Newline Road	\$10	0064796
Friday September 27 10am-11:30am	Forster Forster Sports Complex, Lake Street	\$10	0064798
Friday September 27 2pm-3:30pm	Taree Taree Recreation Centre, Manning River Drive	\$10	0064805

Please indicate booking number when enrolling

### How to enrol

**By phone** Call **13 13 02** and have your credit card details ready (Visa, Mastercard) and

bring completed enrolment form on the day

**By fax** Complete the enrolment form, include your credit card details and fax to **(02) 4929 4397**

**By mail** Complete the enrolment form, include either your credit card details, a cheque or a money order, and mail to:

Sport and Recreation  
State Government Offices  
117 Bull Street, Newcastle West NSW 2302

### For more information

Phone 4926 1633 or visit [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au)



# Parkour 'Come and try' clinic September 2013



The Hunter office of Sport and Recreation in conjunction with Newcastle Parkour is hosting a 90 minute Parkour session in Newcastle's Civic Park. The aim of this clinic is to give participants and snapshot about the fundamentals of Parkour but it will also cater for current participants. Developed by David Belle, Parkour is (according to the Parkour NSW) a non-competitive discipline which originated in France. The activity encompasses a set of principles combined with a way of moving within your environment and overcoming obstacles of any kind, be they physical or mental. In addition to this the physical aspect of Parkour involves practical movement techniques guided by the notions of escape and reach. Parkour methods involve running, crawling, jumping, climbing, and other methods of catching yourself, grabbing and hanging, rolling and balancing, applied to all environments both urban and natural

## Details:

Focused on 14-17 year olds, the 90 minute clinic will cover the key basics of the sport featuring experience Parkour instructors.

Date	Monday 23rd September 2013
Time	2:30pm-4:00pm
Venue	Civic Park, Cnr Darby and King St, Newcastle
Program	0064497
Cost	\$10

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## Program information

## Participant information

AddressEmail address

Please provides details of any medical conditions, allergies or disabilities that may affect your participation in this program

### Optional information

**To help us serve the community it would be appreciated if you could answer the following questions:**

(for statistical purposes only)

### Payment information

My cheque or money order payable to 'Sport and Recreation' is enclosed OR charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my credit card: ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard

[illegible]

## Risk warning and Media consent

Strike out whatever does not apply:

I agree for my child/ward to attend the Centre/program to undertake all activities and/or to participate in the above program. In the case of an emergency, I authorise the Department of Education and Communities, Sport and Recreation staff where it is impracticable to communicate with me to arrange for my child/ward to receive such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary. I also undertake to pay or reimburse costs which may be incurred for medical attendance, ambulance transport and drugs when my child/ward is attending the centre/enrolled in the program.

I understand that although the Department of Education and Communities, Sport and Recreation staff are not attempting to ensure the safety of persons in the facility, within the program and/or on the way to and from the facility, the Department of Education and Communities, Sport and Recreation staff are not responsible for any personal injury in physical personal injury. I acknowledge that there is an inherent risk of personal injury in physical activities and that it will be undertaken at the Centre/s as part of the program and I accept that risk.

☐ I consent / ☐ I do not consent to allow the NSW Government to use any photographs, sound and film recordings taken of my child/ my ward at this program for the promotion of NSW Government services and initiatives to the media and to the general public.

Full name ☐ Self ☐ Parent ☐ Guardian (please tick)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Return this form with payment to:**

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# VACATION CARE PROGRAMS

Monday 23rd	Tuesday 24th	Wednesday 25th	Thursday 26th	Friday 27th
Ball Sports Balance Basics	Tumbling & Tricks Aerial Skills	Mission Impossible or Model Me up	Chill out Fun Athletics, Jungle Fun	Gym Fun Crate Aerial Madness
Mission Impossible	Mad Science Frisbee Fun			

Monday 30th	Tuesday 1st	Wednesday 2nd	Thursday 3rd	Friday 4th
Mad Science General Gym Mega Olympics	Kids Cooking Kids Club Trampolineing Foam Wars	Craft Kids on the Move Pirates	Amazing Race Cheer/Acro Tableds	Its Game Time Aerial Skills Kite Flying Chill Out
Tuesday 8th		Craft, Ball Sports, Tableds & Trampolineing		

**Day's activities 7.30am to 6pm**  
**Meals Included**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Closed on Public Holidays**

**Vacation Care is an inexpensive way to keep the kids entertained these school holidays.**

Our Programs will give children the opportunity to make new friends whilst, playing fun and interactive games, participating in sporting activities and learning new arts and crafts.

Do your children a favour these school holidays and enrol them in Vacation Care - not only will they be having fun but they'll also be learning new skills.



# Child Care Rebate

**Helping families with the cost of child care**

STOCKLAND DRIVE, GLENDALE NSW 2285

PO BOX 3187, Glendale NSW  
Ph: 4953 6366 Fax: 4953 6587

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