



**PBL Focus of the Week:**  
**Classroom Management**

**Important Dates for  
Term 1 2014**

March

**Wednesday 5**

Cross Country (8-12yrs)

**Thursday 6**

Leaders Induction (1.00pm)

**Friday 7**

'Ship O Fools' -Water Saving  
Prog (no cost)

**Monday 17**

P & C Meeting—7pm

May

**Friday 9**

Out of Uniform Day for Stewart  
House—Gold coin donation.

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



**Class Assembly Items**

Week	Class Item
6	3/4C
8	2/3B
10	2D

**Library Days**

Monday	KH 6D
Tuesday	K/1B 4/5F
Wednesday	1C 3/4C
Thursday	2D 2/3B

*Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,*



**Annual School Cross Country Trials**

All students turning 8 years or older this year will be involved in the Cross Country Trials on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March (tomorrow). Students have received a separate information note. Please contact your child's class teacher if there are circumstances preventing your child's participation or attendance on either days.



**Zone Swimming Carnival**

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Cessnock Zone Swimming Carnival on Friday last week. Students were all wonderful ambassadors for Weston PS. Please refer to Miss Campbell's report on our outstanding results and efforts on the day.



**Active After School Care (AASC)**

This is the second week of AASC sessions. The sessions are on each Monday (Athletics) and Wednesday (Basketball) afternoon from 3.30 - 4.30pm. Students receive afternoon tea at the conclusion of each session. Permission notes need to be completed before students are able to participate. Students who choose to change for this activity need to ensure that their clothing is sun-safe (ie. NO sleeveless tops). ALL students MUST wear a sun-safe hat when participating.

**'Ship O Fools' in Schools**

The *"Bubbles and Supa Squirt Water-Saving Show"* will be here at Weston PS on Friday of this week. It is an educational show, funded by Hunter Water, filled with fun, laughter and lots of valuable water-saving information.

Students will have lots of newly gained information/facts to share with you on Friday.



**Quote for the Week**

*"The small act of paying attention can take you a long way."*  
~ Keanu Reeves ~

*"At WPS staff, students and community are Safe, Respectful and Responsible."*

## Leaders' Induction

The induction of School Leaders is on Thursday of this week commencing at 1.00pm. Parents/carers and family members are invited to this ceremony to support the students. An afternoon tea will follow the induction of leaders.



## School Disco

The first school disco for 2014 is on Thursday of next week from 5.00 - 7.00pm in the school hall. The cost is \$2.00 per student or \$5.00 for three or more students from the one family. The Disco is for students from Weston PS ONLY. Older high school siblings are not permitted to attend. Please contact Mrs Callinan if you have a concern about the supervision of your child/children on the night. Students will receive a separate information note later in the week. The theme for our first Disco is "EASTER".

## School Photographs

School photographs were taken yesterday (Monday, 3rd March). If you have any problems or forgot to place your order please phone MSP Photography on 4966 8292. All orders received after photo day are subject to a \$20 late fee.

*Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.*

**Mrs R Callinan**  
Principal

## Out of Uniform Day

On Friday May 9th, we will be having an 'out of uniform' day to raise money for Stewart House. Children are encouraged to wear blue clothes to support our fundraiser. Students who are participating are asked to bring in a gold coin donation.

## Book Club

Book Club order forms (Issue 2) will be sent home on Thursday (March 6). If you wish to place an

order, please return order forms to the office by Tuesday March 18.

## Zone Swimming Carnival

On Friday 28th February, I took five representatives to the Zone Swimming Carnival at Cessnock Pool. Jack Sheehan, Caitlin Stewart, Talia Kelly, Lillian Stewart and Ebony Sheehan donned their swimming caps to compete against students from schools all over the Cessnock region. Our swimmers did a fantastic job with lots of ribbons won for our school. These students were fantastic representatives, showing just how Safe, Responsible and Respectful the students of Weston can be. Well done swimmers!

## P & C News

### Easter Raffle

Easter tickets are attached to this Bulletin. If you didn't receive any tickets there will be spare books available at the office.

Donations of chocolate eggs, bunnies, baskets etc would be greatly appreciated.

### P & C Meeting

Our next P & C meeting will be held on **Monday March 17, 2014**, in the staffroom at 7pm. All are welcome.

### Canteen

This term the canteen will be open on **Thursday and Friday of each week**.

**Mandy Johnson - P & C Secretary**

## PBL Corner

There was no PBL assembly this week due to the school photos in the hall. We will present this week's awards at next Monday's assembly.



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the second year.

Benefits will cover a range of services including examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure sealing, fillings, root canals and extractions.

Benefits are not available for orthodontic or cosmetic dental work and cannot be paid for any services provided in a hospital.

Child Dental Benefits Schedule services will not count towards the Medicare Safety Net or the Extended Medicare Safety Net thresholds.

### Process for using the Child Dental Benefits Schedule

You can confirm your child's eligibility and balance amount by accessing your Medicare online account at [my.gov.au](http://my.gov.au)<sup>[1]</sup> or calling the Medicare general enquiries line on 132 011.

Make an appointment with either a private or public dental provider and let them know you are eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

At the time of the appointment, the dental provider must discuss your child's treatment and any associated costs with you before providing the services. After this has been discussed, you will need to sign a consent form.

When the dental provider has provided the services agreed for your child, they will either bulk bill you or charge you for the services. If they charge you, you need to pay the account and claim the benefit through us.

### Claiming

#### Claiming benefits under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule

If your dental provider bulk bills, you do not need to submit a claim.

If your dental provider does not bulk bill, you will need to pay the account and claim your benefit from us.

#### Submit your claim

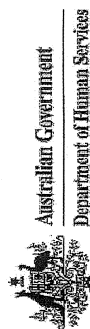
You can submit a claim:

- electronically at the dental surgery, if your dental provider offers electronic claiming
- by downloading the Medicare claim form<sup>[2]</sup> and posting it to the Department of Human Services, GPO Box 9822 in your capital city, or placing it in the drop-box at one of our service centres
- in person at your local Medicare Service Centre
- by calling 132 011

You cannot claim a benefit under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule and from a private health insurer for the same dental service.

### Link references

<http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/medicare/child-dental-benefits-schedule/print>



## Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Financial support for basic dental services for children aged 2–17.

### Eligibility basics

- children aged between 2–17 years on any one day of the calendar year
- receive, or their family, guardian or carer receives, certain government benefits such as Family Tax Benefit Part A for at least part of the calendar year
- are eligible for Medicare

### Eligibility

#### Eligibility for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule

From January 2014, eligible families, teenagers and approved care organisations will receive a letter to confirm eligibility.

A child's eligibility is assessed at the beginning of each year and lasts the whole calendar year. A child is eligible if they are aged 2–17 years for at least 1 day of the calendar year, are eligible for Medicare and are either part of a family receiving Family Tax Benefit Part A or one of the following Australian Government payments:

- Youth Allowance
- ABSTUDY
- Disability Support Pension
- Parenting Payment
- Special Benefit
- Carer Payment
- Double Orphan Pension
- Veteran's Children Education Scheme, if the child is 16 or over
- Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act Education and Training Scheme, if the child is 16 or over

Eligibility is determined each calendar year.

#### Benefits available under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule

In 2014, benefits for basic dental services are capped at \$1,000 per child over 2 consecutive calendar years.

If you do not use all of your \$1,000 benefit in the first year of eligibility, you can use it in the second year if you are still eligible. Any remaining balance will not be carried forward at the end of

## STEWART HOUSE HIGH BOUNCE HANDBALLS \$3 (EACH) ORDER FORM

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Class \_\_\_\_\_

Would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ high bounce handballs @ \$3  
each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (please send money and order form)

enter quantity

# What's happening in 3/4 Courageous?



Once upon a time at Weston School, there was a class full of training superheroes. These superheroes were in training to become Safe, Respectful and Responsible Superheroes who work together to keep our school safe. The students of 3/4 Courageous have been learning to fly safely around the school, to show respect to all adults and students and to take responsibility for their own learning and actions. These students are days away from receiving their masks and capes and have made their teacher very proud. Well done 3/4C!

