Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Continuation of Variation to School Leadership

Mrs Callinan will continue to be on extended sick leave until Week 7 of this term. Miss McMillan will remain in the role of relieving principal during Mrs Callinan’s absence, Mrs Harris will continue as Assistant Principal and Mr Withers will be relieving Assistant Principal.

Thank you for your continued support during this time.

NAPLAN is completed!
The National testing is over for another year. Thank you to the children who worked hard over 3 days last week and also to the staff who helped on the day.

Closure of the Fourth St Bridge
As mentioned in previous Bulletins and notes home, work has continued on the Forth St Bridge. This bridge is now closed to pedestrians and vehicles until further notice. Alternative vehicular access is over Kline St Bridge. Students who are effected have been offered a special bus pass by Cessnock City Council for this period.

Grip Leadership Conference
This Wednesday, Mrs Harris will accompany our school and house captains to Newcastle to attend the GRIP Leadership Conference. We hope they have a great day and come back with lots of great skills.

P&C Funded visit from The Deadly Australians
On Friday the P&C has funded an opportunity for all children of Weston school to visit the Deadly Australians show. This will be at school and come of no cost to the children. We thank our P&C for giving the students this opportunity.

Quote for the Week
It’s better to slow down and get there than never to arrive at all.

"At WPS staff, students and community are Safe, Respectful and Responsible."
Staff Drumbeat Training
On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week we have four staff members heading off for more Drumbeat training. This will create more opportunities for all children to experience the fabulous confidence and social skill program that is already so strong at our school. Teachers attending will be Mrs Harris, Mrs Dickson, Mrs Cox and Miss Campbell. Classes will have alternative arrangements for these 3 days.

Parking
We have had some reports of cars parking at the front of the school that are encroaching on the footpath. This is a safety issue. Please ensure when you park that the rear of your car does not extend over the footpath /gutter. The ranger will be called is cars continually to park illegally.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Miss K. McMillan
Rel. Principal

PBL Corner
These students are the PBL award winners for Week 4.

Domino Pizza Fundraiser
A big ‘THANK YOU’ to Domino Pizza at Kurri Kurri and our local community. A notice went out a couple of weeks ago from Dominos stating that they would donate $1 from any pizza purchased on Wednesday May 7 and donate it to Weston Public School. On the night $313.00 was raised. Well done!! Thank you Dominos!!

National Walk to School Safely Day
This Friday, 23rd May, is National Walk Safely To School Day. You are encouraged to walk or commute safely to school to encourage safe road and pedestrian behaviours and to promote a healthy, active lifestyle. Weston Public School is registered as an active participant and we encourage all students and their families to walk safely to school on Friday morning.

Biggest Morning Tea
Date: Wednesday 28th May, (Week 5). We would love to invite everyone to join us to celebrate Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea (in the Library). We look forward to seeing everyone there!

P & C News
P & C Meeting
Our next P & C meeting will be held on Monday June 16, 2014, in the staffroom at 7pm. All are welcome.

Pie Drive
Pie Drive order forms are attached to this Bulletin. Extra order forms are at the office if needed.

Mandy Johnson -P & C Secretary
Library Fundraisers....

To support National Simultaneous Storytime day, we are having a Guessing Competition
Have a guess or two or more...
How many BLUE elephants can you find in the Library?

Cost: $0.50 for a guess
When: Pop into the library Wednesday or Thursday at lunch time, to have your guess
Prize: $10.00 Book Fair voucher and a gift pack of looms

Book Fair
28th May- 8.30-10.30
Come have your photo taken with Mr Monkey
Mrs Wolski looks like she is having a ‘Monkey of a Time’
A photo keepsake for just a gold coin donation

SUGGESTED CONTENT FOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS:

Reforms to P&C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at

In year 2 we have been practising using rulers in mathematics. We have been busy creating art works using rulers to develop our skills.

Year 2 excursion to Tocal.

Last term students in year 1 and 2 went on an excursion to Tocal homestead to learn about past and present ways of living. Students enjoyed the experience of dressing up and learning about the different ways people lived in the past.

Year 2 have been learning about position this week so we have incorporated this with also learning how to use a dictionary and the position of different letters.

Year 2 are learning about procedures this term. Students have to follow a set of instructions to create our grass heads

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