

WEEDONS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Respect The Rest & Be Your Best

31 May 2017 – Term 2– Week 5

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The turn of the season also sees the turn of our sporting calendar. This week our school **cross-country team** competed at the zone event at Halswell Quarry and represented Weedons with pride. It was great to see top 12 finishes from Charli (12th Year 5 Girls), Thomas (1st Year 6 Boys), Logan (11th Year 6 Boys), Samuel (1st Year 8 Boys), Kade (3rd Year 8 Boys), Liam (4th Year 8 Boys) and Leon (5th Year 8 Boys). A particularly strong performance from our Year 8 boys who we affectionately refer to as “The Kenyans” in their last zone appearance for Weedons. They have been a strong team right through their time with us and we are very proud of their accomplishments. It is important also that we recognize the whole team, all of which left nothing in the tank and gave their all for the school team.

More success to report. The **annual Rotary School Quiz** took place last night at Lincoln University *for the local schools*. This year 15 schools participated from around the wider area, accompanied by their supporters. Tobey and Tim did an outstanding job of representing Weedons School in the Yrs7/8 category, successfully securing First Prize after answering 4 challenging rounds of general knowledge questions. The boys proudly received a certificate and a book of their choice each, along with book vouchers for both themselves and the school. Well done boys! Thanks for using your intellectual energy in the name of the school.



We see a visit next week from the educators at **Waste Busters**. They will be working with students from Year 2-8 on a variety of programmes during the week. Don't forget to ask over dinner what the main messages and learnings were.

Our junior school staff will be involved in reports and interviews next week. Thanks for all the hard work they have put in to get ready for these important contacts.

Reminders



Many will have noticed the new wheelchair car park created outside the main gate. We now have two students who arrive in vans and need to alight near the gate. We ask that our community be aware of this, especially in the morning, and take care in using the drop-off zone.



Staff and the Board of Trustees have become concerned that a handful of people are still parking on the opposite side of the road from the school, requiring students to cross a busy main road. We are concerned for the students crossing and also for younger ones who see older students crossing. We have been fortunate that there hasn't been a traffic incident outside our school and with the vigilance of our community we hope thee never will be.



If your child is going to be away or late please let the office know a.s.a.p. We follow up on any unexplained absence so a quick call or email to the office can save them a phone call.

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EMERGENCY TEXTING: To register simply text **Weedons** to **570**. You will receive confirmation that you have joined the Weedons School Text Alert Service.

We use this **texting** service if the school is closed due to weather or earthquake related issues

Diary 2017

01 May – Start Term 2

05 Jun – Queens Birthday
- School Closed

21 Jun – Canterbury Cross Country

04 Jul – School Interviews Rm 1, 2, 3

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07 Jul – Last Day of Term 2

24 Jul –Term 3 Begins

28 Jul – School Photos

Top Performer

The top performer in Room 5 is a quiet but very observant young lady called Georgia F. Georgia deserves to be our top performer for a number of reasons.

Firstly, Georgia has had some really useful observations to share about our latest class serial story, James and the Giant Peach, because she has already read it all by herself at home - what a great wee reader she is!

This young lady used to find story writing hard work but she has shown a 'growth mindset' about improving. As a consequence she now writes some of the best stories in Room 5 and her printing is increasingly neat and readable too. Recently Georgia listened to one of our shared books about a ghost. Instead of just retelling the same story in her own words, she decided to write a new version of the story with different characters and events. What a clever thing to do!

Georgia has loved learning about Space during our latest inquiry topic and has shown she has absorbed a lot of new knowledge. She has used this knowledge to write some tricky questions for us to answer about life in space.

Finally, Georgia is always well mannered and helpful in the classroom and she has great listening skills.

What a pleasure you are to teach Georgia. Congratulations for being this term's top performer in Room 5.

Friends of Weedons

FRIENDS OF WEEDONS AGM

WHEN: Monday 26 June

TIME: 7.00pm

WHERE: Room 1

WHO: All welcome to attend



Entertainment Books

There are still books available so if you haven't purchased yours yet, get in quick. A reminder if you still have an envelope at home, please return these, with or without an order. Thanks



Reminder that we have a skip at school that we need to fill with scrap metal to help fundraise. The skip is behind room 6. If you have any larger items please make an appointment to come out of school hours, by contacting Wayne 0278787647 or Jo 0212063282.



Tickets are available at the office for this private screening on Thursday 6th July, 6pm at Hoyts Riccarton. Tickets \$15. See the Facebook page for more details.

Community Notices

The Selwyn Sports Trust have arranged a PD opportunity available to teachers, parents and support staff presented by Halberg Disability Sport Foundation. The Halberg Disability Sport Foundation will be delivering their No Exceptions Training 'NET'

Date: Monday 12 June
Time: 3.45pm
Where: Clearview Primary
For: Teacher and Parents

NET Session Covers:

A one hour introduction session with practical and theory elements

- Teaching the core fundamentals of adapting and modifying physical activity
 - Investigates the need of the school/teachers to facilitate inclusion of physically disabled young people in sport and physical activity
 - An action plan created by the teachers specific to their school
 - Furthering understanding of disability specific areas i.e. applying the social model of disability in a sport or physical activity setting
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- Halberg NET resources and support includes:
 - Access to online resources eg. activities, downloadable images and videos
 - Evaluation process and review from Halberg Disability Sport Foundation
 - Certificates of participation at completion of programme

Register here:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DCFn4ySrHXLBrPUybx_Wr_0QcX1jsr7hOuN4fHSQKa8/edit#gid=0

'A Celebration of Screen & Stage Concert' to be held **Sat 22nd July 7 pm at Lincoln High School Hall** - A major collaborative variety community concert featuring acts such as the Kirwee Players, Selwyn Community Choir, Ellesmere Pipe Band, Lincoln High School Musical Theatre Group + a range of other talented groups, singers and musicians performing a wide selection of songs from well known musicals, movies and TV series everything from James Bond, Disney, Blues Brothers, Grease, Outlander to classic musicals such as The Sound of Music, Les Miserables.... Tickets, which cost only \$15, are now on sale from Hammer Hardware Lincoln and Rolleston, Lincoln Market and via www.eventfinder.co.nz



Rolleston Community Centre
Thursday 15th June
2.30pm – 7pm

Monday Lunch Order Form

Name:	Room #	Lunch Order:	Amount:
TOTAL			\$