

Website: wcc.weipa.biz Friday 6th February, 2004 Term 1 Week 2



Monday 9th February Tuesday 10th February Wednesday 11th February Parent / Teacher Evening for years 1, 2 & 3 at 7:00pm Parent / Teacher Evening for years 4, 5 & 6 at 7:00pm Parent / Teacher Evening for years 7, 8 & 9 at 7:00pm

#### DIRECTOR'S DESK

A few years ago I would commence welcoming students and staff back to the reopening of school. Educational delivery has changed so much that it is now a welcome back to the recommencement of the academic year. No school or college can afford to close for six weeks and then re-open. There can be only a minimal break, as facilities, programs and staff need to be in place for day one (Yes, I'm complaining that it is no longer possible for us to get all those holidays but I suspect sympathy will be in short supply so I'll get on with it). Over the year I will spell out major issues for the College but in recognition there is, on average, a twenty percent turnover a basic understanding of this College may be appreciated

Western Cape College has four campuses or schools in the communities of Mapoon, Weipa, Napranum and Aurukun. The College is an administrative structure, not a separate school.

Roles in and organisation of the College is not traditional but starting contracts are

Mapoon - Rod Kettle Head of Campus

Weipa - Helen Foulger Head of Junior School

Bruce Houghton Head of Middle School Lance Jarrett Head of Senior School

Napranum - Jan Anderson Head of Campus

Aurukun - Stan Sheppard Head of Campus

Tony Fuller is the overall Head of Weipa Campus and though the College Director has an office and house in Weipa the Director's role is no more operational in Weipa then it is in any of the other campuses.

Welcome back and may the learning continue.

Regards Don Anderson Director Western Cape College



#### Term 1 Swimming Program

**Starting Dates:** 



1W & 2S -Monday 10th February (every Monday)
2/3C & 2L -Monday 10th February (every Monday)
3M -Wednesday 11th February (every Wednesday)
3OM & 3L -Thursday 12th February (every Thursday)
1C & 1WH -Friday 13th February (every Friday)

Students need to remember to bring a towel, hat, sunscreen and a change of clothes. Goggles and a swimming cap are optional. Parents please ensure the <u>all</u> permission notes are back prior to the above commencement dates. The term 1 Swimming Program will conclude with a Junior School Swimming Carnival in week 9.

# ROSEMARY'S RAMBLINGS

### Tuckshop Seminar Coming Soon

Tuckshops are an important part of the school.
All workers need training so that the quality of the food and service to our children is tops.

Volunteers are also extremely important.
Please
Become

involved.

#### Please Ensure Safety on our roads

Our children are very precious, but also very young, inexperienced and compulsive.

It is very important that we all take care on the roads, particularly at the start of the school year, as the children are so excited about seeing their friends again.

Please do not park, or even pull up where children are crossing or at the gates of schools. Obey traffic signs and walk the children into the school if necessary. Teach your children about road safety and set a good example for the sake of a child's life.

#### PLEASE CONTACT ROSEMARY ON PH: 40465215 OR

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#### PARENTS MATTER

# PARENTS: did you know how much you matter in the education of your children?

It is well-proven that when parents are involved in their child's education the child does much better—socially, academically and emotionally.

The children feel like their parents are supporting them; are interested in what they are doing; the parents

believe that education is important and that the school teachers and the parents are working together for the benefit of the child.

PLEASE become involved with your child's education, the Principal and others, including us would like to show you how...there are many ways and one that would suit you!!



#### **HOW CAN WE HELP YOUR SCHOOL?**

There are many ways we can help. We love coming to your school to assist in any way. Here are some ideas: P & C roles training Subcommittees roles 'Working together' workshops

Tuckshop issues
How to write
submissions
Public speaking
Special needs support
And more
Please contact us if we
can support your school
community in this area.

#### **Taking Care of Business**

Welcome back to school – 2004. I hope everyone had an enjoyable break and is feeling refreshed and recharged.

This week Weipa Campus has taken delivery of a double classroom teaching building known as a "Bendigo Building". It was planned to be installed and ready for the start of the school year, however the best laid plans of mice and men!! The building is located on the Eastern Campus at the end of W Block and will deliver the subjects of English and Media Performance and Active Citizenship.





The school hats have arrived and are on sale through the school office for \$10. I would also like to remind parents that for your children to continue to receive the best educational opportunity to ensure all resource levies and texthire levies are paid as early in term 1 as possible.

Sam Briggs

## Napranum Campus News

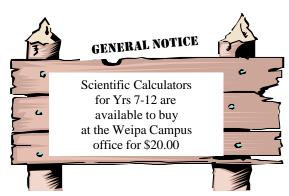
All at Napranum Campus are keen to be back and ready for a good year in 2004. Welcome back to all students and staff who have returned. Welcome to our new teacher Mr Alvin Miranda and all the Year 1's. (Linda Mark, Albert Luke, Kourtlee Wilson, Graham Gordon, Dwayne Parry, Tabuai Wapai, Savannah Toby and Garrett Lawrence) As well Jan Anderson is acting in the role of Head of Campus.

The student enrolment for 2004 at Napranum Campus is 58. The goal for the year is for all 58 students to attend school 100% of the time. Just as the flapping of the wings of a butterfly has an influence on other parts of nature, the choice of each student to come to school or stay at home for the day has an influence on the all the students in the school. The 'You Can Do It' program is still a focus to give the students a good foundation for their learning and well-being. The foundation Getting Along seemed to be a good place to start for the beginning of the year. The focus Habit of the Mind for Week 1: Showing tolerance to Others, Week 2: Thinking first.



Teachers found many examples of these habits in practice and were able to use these habits to help students to make better choices. Students already honoured in Week 1 were Rondell Mark, Linda Mark, Jovita Madua, Nicholas Clermont and Jonyelle Adidi. Special mention goes to Linda Mark who started her first day and first week as if she had been going to school for years.

Jan Anderson Head of Napranum Campus



# Weipa Campus News

#### **CASUAL POSITION VACANT**

A casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at this school.

The School Crossing Supervisor may be required to work five days per week in all *weather conditions*. The hours of work for School Crossing Supervisors are normally 1.5 hours a day and usually comprise of one hour in the morning and thirty minutes in the afternoon

The successful applicant is dependent on:

- The favourable outcome of a health assessment carried out by a Government Medical Officer or a duly qualified Medical
  Practitioner according to the guidelines in the "Notes for Medical Practitioner" on the School Crossing Supervisor Scheme –
  Health Assessment Form; and
- A criminal history check of all Australian state Police records. Refer to disqualifying offences in schedule 2 of Transport Operation (Road Use Management) Act 1995.

Applications addressing the selection criteria as listed in the position description must be submitted in writing to the school.

Address application to:

Private and Confidential The Registrar Central Ave Weipa Qld 4874

Applications close at 3.00pm on 5th March 2004

For further information please phone the Registrar on 40906444





#### **Tuckshop News**

Welcome back from holidays everyone, hope it was a good one. Welcome to all the new families to our school community. There are some new items and a slight price rise on a few items. The tuckshop aims to provide all students with a variety of healthy meals and offers the choice of a few treats. The tuckshop caters for children with specific needs or food allergies so please do not hesitate to contact me if this is the case with your child. If you would like to become a volunteer at the tuckshop this year, or put your name on the bake day roster or if you have any concerns or queries about the tuckshop please come into the tuckshop and see me or give me a call on 4090 6428. We had an act of vandalism occur at the tuckshop on the last week of the school holidays. Someone cut the wires on our fridge & freezer which caused not only stock loss but concern over whether we were going to get it up and running in time for school to start. Thankfully Spotless were on the job. We would like to say a big thank you to Glen for working on the Australia day holiday to get our fridge up and running in time.

Karen Penton

#### Dear Parents/Guardians

YEAR 7-12

Due to the amount of loss, breakage and general mistreatment of headphones in the past, Western Cape College Weipa Campus is implementing a trial regarding the use of headphones in the secondary computer labs.

In the past the headphones have been provided by the school. While there are still a **very small number** available for borrowing, our trial involves a recommendation that students who require or desire regular use of the headphones when using various computer software provide their own headphones. These headphones will be made available at the school office for a cost of \$10 and students will be advised when they are available as well as a notice in the school newsletter.

This new system will mean that students who have their own headphones will be responsible for their care and maintenance. Students who do not have their own headphones will simply not be able to use them. This should not disadvantage them, all it means is that in using computer software requiring sound, the sound will simply need to be turned to its lowest level.

Yours sincerely

Cathy Eden
Commerce Co-ordinator

Kath Newman

Computer Systems Administrator

