

WESTERN CAPE COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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Week 4 , Term 4

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WHAT'S ON

OCTOBER

- Monday 20th, Student Free Day
- Friday 31st, Red Day for Daniel

NOVEMBER

- Wednesday 5th, Yr 4-12 Swimming Carnival
- Thursday 6th, P&C Meeting
- Thursday 13th, Yr 7-12 Presentation evening
- Wednesday 19th, November Senior Formal
- Friday 21st, Last day Yr 12
- Yr 10/11 Work experience 24th-28th
- Friday 28th, Last day Yr 10 & 11
- Friday 28th, P-3 Swimming Carnival

DECEMBER

- Thursday 4th, Weipa P&C Meeting
- Friday 5th, Last day of School 2008

TERMS DATES:

- Term 1: Jan 29 - Apr 4
- Term 2: Apr 15 - Jun 27
- Term 3: Jul 15 - Sep 19
- Term 4: Oct 6 - Dec 5

STUDENT FREE DAYS

- OCT: Mon 20th

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

- Mon:** 3.00-4.00pm
Meet at the Sports Shed at the High School.
- Wed** 2.45-3.45pm
Meet at the Tiger Turf for Netball.

Don't forget Hats, Water Bottles and Permission Slips if you are new to the program.

Students already registered don't need to worry.

SEE YOU THERE!

Contact: Mrs Schneid (40906478)



FROM THE DIRECTORS DESK

Last week we opened our doors to host approximately 100 teachers, principals and educators to Weipa who attended the Inaugural National Indigenous Conference.

The Conference was hosted by the Indigenous Schooling Support Unit and the Centre of Leadership, Teaching and Excellence who secured some of the most recognised leaders in the education field across Australia.

The Conference revolved around the theme of; "Engaging, educating and empowering" and "Challenging, distance, disadvantage and denial" and raised some interesting subjects of discussion to address, particular in the Forum, hosted by ABC Journalist Jeff McMullen.

It was with great pleasure to see work already across these areas of concern already done at Western Cape College and it's once again an example of how the College remains at the National forefront of Indigenous Education.

It was also fantastic to see that despite our remote location, we can still offer our teachers opportunities for Professional Development and the Conference was a great example of when you can't get to the conference-bring the conference to you! All our Campuses were represented at the Conference and I know lots of the teachers present used the opportunity for career networking and developing relevant skills and strategies that they can apply in the classroom.

I'd also like to acknowledge all our local community sponsors who contributed to the Conference, particularly Albatross Resort, Weipa Camp Ground and Fishing Lodge, Qantas Link and Rio Tinto Alcan. Without your support the conference wouldn't have been as successful and on behalf of the College, I thank you for your continued support.

I draw your attention this week to the concise Quarterly Report from the Weipa Campus and like always will be available in full online at our website. In the coming editions, Aurukun and Mapoon reports will be presented to the community.

Regards,
Ian Mackie
Director Western Cape College

Western Cape College Students Compete at Carnival

Nineteen athletes from the central Cape sporting district flew out to Cairns to participate in the Secondary Track and Field Carnival at the beginning of September.

Weipa students selected to attend were: Dennis Ahmat, Shy-Ann Budby, Marion Callope, Aquila Gela, Reeca Sainsbury, Stevie Barham, Jennifer Sigai, Mikey Carter, Ronald Masso, Tia Dixon-Toomey, Eileen Ludwick, Brooke Gwynne-Hinschen, Denzel Asera, Thomas Reuban, Adria Faud and Amanda Noack.

According to Western Cape College, PE Teacher, Marian Schneid said all the students competed very well and most recorded new personal best results.

Three members of the team has since been selected to join the Peninsula Athletics Team to participate in the State Athletics Championships. These students include Shy-Ann Budby, Tia Dixon-Toomey and Denzel Asera.

During the Carnival Tia broke two Peninsula Records and all students were great ambassadors for Western Cape College.



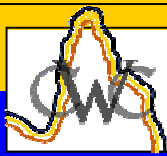
WCC Students 'Play' to Learn about Persia

Year 11 Weipa Ancient History students have been presenting their major research task on the Wars between Greece and Persia.

The students have researched, planned, organised, created and scripted a multi-modal presentation requiring that they use a variety of presentation techniques to communicate the results of their historical inquiry.

Students have been committed to the task and designed some very creative presentations.

These include models, board games, lectures, and dramatic performance.



Weipa Campus Quarterly Community Report

Weipa Head of Campus Message

The Weipa campus of Western Cape College continues to grow in line with the burgeoning Weipa population. As our school expands in numbers, we also expand in our capacity to lead and develop innovative programs and practices.

In 2008, the school continues to lead the implementation of the Bound for Success curriculum strategy, student transition into their chosen pathway, ICT's and staff development.

2008 Fourth Quarter Priorities

- Student transitions across key junctures of schooling
- Continue One School rollout
- Audit moderated tasks for 2009: Yr 1-9
- Complete all Secondary subject Study Plans
- Protective Behaviours training
- Develop Weipa Campus Action Plans amongst school sectors
- Participate in the Regional Office school external review
- Stage 3 Master Plan commencement
- Continue the school's Values Education Framework
- Budgets, Action Plans and School Operational Plan completion
- 2009 staffing, timetable and class allocations

The full Quarterly Community Report is available online at: www.westerncapecollege.com.au under the Data and Reports Heading.



Thank You Weipa Autos Electrics!

Alex, Rothana and Nita present Sam Nolan of Weipa Auto Electrics with a certificate of appreciation for his sponsorship of their team polo shirts. The girls proudly wore their shirts during the Girls Rugby League carnival in Cairns on September 18th – and don't they look fabulous!

WEIPA CAMPUS P & C NEWS

Happy World Teacher's Day to all staff for Friday 31st October!!

So much is happening at present – The Head of Campus position has been advertised and P & C has compiled a "What are the expectations of the Principal" list to send onto the QCPCA Community Representative, Late variation to school policy discussed and approved, Cleaning the New Hospital Contract and the approval to purchase 2 mobile Sound field systems to help in the classrooms. Three fundraising activities are happening – P & C Hats and Heels Melbourne Cup Fundraiser on the 4th November at the Golf Club. Tickets are on sale through Debbie Peterson and Kym Prentice. Thankyou to Kym Prentice coordinator of this event and her energetic helpers. The annual Christmas Raffle is happening again and tickets are on sale at \$2 a ticket. If you haven't had time to drop off a donation at the tuckshop you may catch us at the shopping centre selling tickets. First Prize Wheelbarrow and Goodies, Second Prize Esky and Third prize X box. The third fundraising activity is the cleaning of the new hospital so....**Calling all volunteers help is needed!! Working Bee at the New Hospital. Scheduled for Sat 8th and Sun 9th November 8am – 5pm. If you can come down and help for a couple of hours that would be great. This fundraiser is a joint P & C partnership with Goodline Cape Suns Football Team and the Goodline Girls. Please contact Jenny 40699473 if you can help.** On the agenda for the next meeting is approval of the School Levy for 2009 and College Direction Report 2009 from Financial Manager Michelle Elms. Special Quest this month is School Based Youth Health Nurse Lyn James. Next Meeting is on the 6th November 2008 at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Jenny Aspinall
Weipa P & C President.

Parents and Friends gathered at the Resource Centre on 15th of October to celebrate the Annual Book Fair.

Lots of fun was had and hopefully lots of reading too!

