



WESTERN CAPE COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd March, 2006

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Cross Country 2006

Whilst the Cross Country is still just over a month away (Tues 4th April) staff, students and parents at the college have been getting stuck into their training in a big way. Many of you have probably driven past late in the afternoon to see swarms of people crowding the oval warming up for our adventurous runs. On Monday Mr Wieden came up with a great idea of running around the oval 12 times. Mrs King-Smith did a good job timing the laps and telling us when rest time was over, maybe next time I can do the timing? We have been getting between 30 and 50 students each training session, which is fantastic to see, and despite the hard work we are all having a great time. A big thanks to Mr Bigg, Mr Miranda, Mrs King-Smith, Mr Wawrzyniak, Miss Hansen, Mr Whittle, Mrs Sankey-Laidlaw, Miss Muller, Miss Gauld and Mr Newman who have all come down in their own time to organise the sessions and help supervise. Congratulations also to the students for their great behaviour and keenness to work on their fitness.

If you or your students are interested in coming and joining us for a run, we meet on the oval at 4:45 pm ready to run by 5 pm each Monday and Wednesday afternoon. If you would like more information on the training or the cross country, please contact myself or Mr Wieden at the school on 4090 6444.

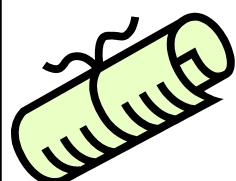
Jeremy Anderson
PE Co-ordinator



LEADERSHIP NEWS

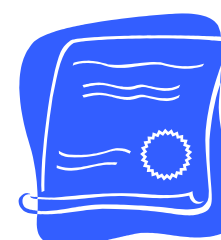
Elections were held last week for the Western Cape College Student Council. The Student Council is elected by the students and gives the student body a voice in the decision making of the College.

Students were elected from each grade from Grade 5 –12 at Weipa Campus and Campus Representatives were elected at Mapoon and Aurukun. The Weipa Campus representatives will be meeting on Thursday mornings before school. Certificates were presented to students at the Badge Presentation Parade on Monday morning.

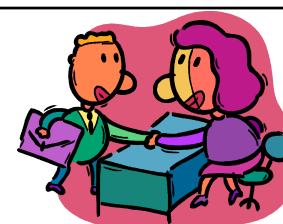


Badges and Certificates were also presented to College Captains, College Vice Captains, Middle School Leaders as well as Sports House Captains, House Vice Captains and Junior House Captains. The ceremony was followed by a fantastic morning tea for parents and badge holders prepared by the Home Economics and Hospitality students under the very capable supervision of Leanne Anthony and Vicki Law.

Completion Certificates were awarded to five students who have been involved in the Western Cape College Leadership Skills Program. Brioni Brooker, the College Captain, who has been involved with the program since 2002 and Lisa Love and Gavan Roy, who joined the program in 2003, received their certificates at the ceremony. Certificates were forwarded to Mitchell Brown (who now has an apprenticeship) and Jason Teale (whose family has left town).



Congratulations to all those students who received recognition on Monday. They have a very busy time ahead of them with projects such as planning activities for Youth Week and holding a College and Community market.





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IN THE MIDDLE

Student Leaders

On Monday the presentation of badges to elected students leaders was conducted on parade. Elected students in years five and six were acknowledged and officially started their new roles as a part of this parade. This presentation ceremony was the end result of two weeks of clarifying the roles these leaders would undertake, self nomination, public speaking and a secret ballot. I would like to congratulate all the students in year five and six for the way that they enthusiastically supported each other and participated in this process.

The following student leaders were elected by their peers to represent them as their voice on the *Student Council*.

Year 5

5H Jack Lowi-Genn
5K Judith Orreal
5B Robert Cupper

Year 6

6W Maddison Waretini
6B Chloe Fairbrother
6M Pia Easton

The following students were elected as *Junior House Captains*.

EVANS

Nick Timm
Karo Cardelli
Kodie Jai-Craige
Pelina Shuh

DUYFKEN

Shaquel Nixon-Adidi
Jacob Price
Kaitee- Rae Dick
Chloe Fairbrother

FLINDERS

Chaye Vickers
Vivienne Kruckow
Dylan Pressley
Nawie Asera

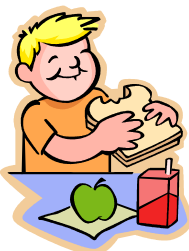


Bike Safety

The college is about to embark on an awareness campaign with the help of the local police educating students on bike safety. Students place themselves at risk if they don't wear helmets and do not use the crossings and bike paths provided. I encourage all parents to talk to their children about the path they are choosing to get to and from school and if they are wearing appropriate safety gear.

School Lunches

The tuckshop operates an ordering system for lunches for all grades. It is important these orders are placed before school. Facilities are provided at school for this process to take place or preferably, bags can be filled out at home. I am concerned some students are not using their tuckshop money to purchase lunch, but using this money to purchase handfuls of lollies and soft drinks on the way to school and after school.



Western Cape College Weipa Campus

P & C News

<http://www.westerncapecollege.com/78.html>

An interesting and informative first general meeting was held last Thursday. Welcome to new members. If you have missed the first meeting doesn't mean you can't come along to the **next** one on the **16th March @7.30pm College Common Room**.

Like all first meetings back after three months it was quite lengthy but lively!

The night's discussion included:

- New playground equipment on its way for years 1- 4
- Prep playground – relocation of equipment from preschool
- Active tract being relocated – 5-6 area

P&C's Initiatives

- Seating for 80 students
- 5 areas with new umbrellas
- Exhaust Fans in the manual arts room
- Cooler for students and staff have arrived

Thankyou to outgoing President Alan McPhee and son Max for putting up the screens in the P & C shed.

Initiative from Senior Students represented on the night by Lisa Love, Kirstie Buchholz and Denica Russ with Teacher Mrs Maryanne Thompson – Re: a new Senior College Shirt. P & C approved in essence this initiative and look forward to the finer details next meeting in business arising.

Many Reports were tabled and discussed including:

- Tuckshop and Smart Choice Group their next meeting will be **15th March 2006 @5pm in the Tuckshop** All Welcome!
- Napranum Transition Group will have had their second meeting by the time this goes to print – Contact Lynette Koina or Ruth Adidi for details (Both can be found at the College)
- Preschool Subcommittee Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 3.45pm – Contact Michelle Elms for next meeting dates (Found at the College)
- Grade 7 Camp will happen – Venue to be discussed with staff and a group of interested parents. (Tony Whybird will coordinate a date in due time)
- College Magazine Committee 2006 calling interested parents who have an interest and a love for photography and computer graphics this is the job for you please contact Cathy Eden at the College ph 40906444.
- Dress Code alias Uniforms were discussed and will be discussed more fully on the April agenda.

Behaviour Management Policy captured the interest of many members at the P & C last night and will be the major General Business on the **Agenda at the March Meeting**. In last newsletter Tony Whybird mentioned the **New Code of School Behaviour Plan** recently announced by the State Government and an invitation for parents re this plan. It is ideal to make yourself familiar with this plan <http://education.qld.gov.au/publication/production/reports/> further more if you would like a copy of the existing WCC Behaviour Management Policy this is available on

http://www.westerncapecollege.com/1behaviour_management_policy_april_2004

Western Cape College — Weipa Campus— Parents and Citizens Association

TENTATIVE DATES 2006 for the P&C MONTHLY MEETINGS — COMMON ROOM — 7.30PM

Thursday 23rd February

Thursday 16th March

Thursday 6th April

Thursday 11th May

Thursday 8th June

Thursday 13th July

Thursday 10th August

Thursday 14th September

Thursday 12th October

Thursday 9th November

Thursday 7th December

