From the Principal

This is the final newsletter for the term. Although a short term, it has been a VERY busy one with many school events happening. The first day of Term 3 (Monday 21 July) is a Student Free day across all government schools. Teachers will be participating in professional learning and planning with the focus on quality literacy teaching.

Last Wednesday evening our Readers Cup team did our school proud at the inter-school competition. Despite having the youngest team and no prior experience, the “Aussie Minds” finished third in the quiz section and received a “highly commended” over-all award from the judges. Congratulations to Noah, Oliver, Chelsea, Jack, Rebecca and Sarah.

Last week we introduced a paper recycling program to the school. Each classroom now has a re-cycling bin for paper and card which is collected from the school once per week.

Today we are mid-way through Parent-Teacher interviews. If you are unable to keep an appointment, please contact your child’s teacher to make an alternative time to meet.

A parent has contacted me recently regarding concerns about “chat sites” and social media. Her concerns were based on the fact that sites that were often accessed by students, out of school hours, can also be accessed by adults. Unknown adults communicating with your children is highly concerning so I would remind parents about the importance of supervising your child’s use of social media.

Another safety issue is concerning bikes. Westbury has a very bike friendly terrain and we welcome students riding their bike to school, but they MUST WEAR A HELMET. Next term we will introduce a “No helmet no bike” rule.

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As we come to the end of the term I would like to thank all the parents/carers who have volunteered in our school. Whether it be for parent help in the classrooms, the canteen, uniform shop, Book Club or P&F, the staff and students thank you for your practical support of our school.

I wish all students, and those parents fortunate enough to have time off work, a safe and relaxing holiday.

Marcus Cramp

## Chaplains News ...
What a term! I have been fortunate to be involved in so many things this term.

### Grade 6 camp:
This was a great time in which a lot of great memories were created. I would like to thank the school for the opportunity to be involved in such a great learning opportunity and a chance for building long lasting connections with the students.

### Garden group:
I have been working alongside Mrs van Dijk to take students over to our community garden where the students have been weeding and planting seeds. It is great to see the students learning about different plants that they can grow and then eat.

### Wood working:
This has been on a Thursday afternoon and we have been very lucky to have Alan Jones come along and teach the students different skills to use when working with timber. He has also taught them about safety when using tools and about making sure that all the tools that are used are safe. This was done by showing them how to test and tag electrical equipment. The project the students have been working on is building small hot houses to be placed in classrooms to plant seedlings into before they are replanted in the garden.

As part of the Chaplaincy program I have been able to offer fruit at recess one day a week and, now that the weather is cooler, we have been offering hot soup on Fridays. This is free to all students and will continue next term.

Craft has continued this term where we have been making pom-poms to make into a mat. Students will continue this next term to get them finished. Thank you to the Parents and Friends for their donation toward the cost of craft supplies. Next term in craft we will also be making fridge magnets and little stress buddies. The students will learn basic hand sewing skills while making the little stress buddies.

I would like to thank all the parents that have helped me this term. I would not be able to do as much as I do without their wonderful help. I would also like to thank the teachers for allowing me to work with students during time in class.

I am available to meet with parents when needed. I can be contacted through leaving a message at the office or catching up with me after school.

Tanya Jones
Chaplain

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Westbury Primary School
Launching into Learning Programs Term 3~ 2014

You and your child are warmly invited to attend our LiL programs for Term 3. Our sessions are structured to cater for the developmental needs of each age group. Please bring along friends/acquaintances from our local area, the more the merrier.

In our Launching into Learning sessions we especially focus on:
~ developing fine motor skills
~ supporting gross motor development
~ early Literacy and Numeracy experiences
~ growing confidence within our school environment
~ social interactions (shared morning/afternoon tea)

Please join us and help your child enjoy wonderful experiences which will help their development and readiness for ‘big school’. A tiny investment now, will give your child the best possible start towards their future schooling.

Dates and times for Term 3:
Pre- Kinder (turning 4 in 2014) – Friday 9.00 – 11.00am - beginning 25th July
Transition (students stay without parents) begins week 4 of Term 3 – 15th August

Playgroup (0-4 yrs) – Monday 1.30pm - 2.45pm – beginning 28th July
Please bring along a drink and a piece of fruit for your child’s morning/afternoon tea.

Kim Riley
Kindergarten/Prep & Launching into Learning Teacher.

Please contact 6393 1373 for more information.

Book Club Update
Our third round of Scholastic Book Club orders have arrived and were delivered to classrooms yesterday (today for Kinder-Prep). If there were any problems with your order please let us know.

The next issue of Book Club forms will arrive after the holidays.

Happy reading from the Book Club Team – Kim Riley, Tenille, Jessica, Bianca and Penny

Current Scholastic Rewards earned by Westbury Primary School: $780.80

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
Please check the Parent Noticeboard outside Kinder for a variety of School Holiday activities.

Have a happy and safe holiday.

Students start Term 3 on
Tuesday 22 July 2014.
**RESOURCE CYCLES BICYCLE WORKSHOP**

**WHAT IT IS:**
A WORKSHOP TO FIX, STRIP OR REASSEMBLE OLD PUSH BIKES.

**WHEN:**
MON-FRI - SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WEEK 1.
10AM-12PM.

**WHERE:**
The WESTBURY SPORTS CENTRE COMPLEX
NEXT TO THE SKATE PARK IN FRANKLIN STREET WESTBURY!

**WHO:**
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 10-18

**WHY:**
WHY NOT?
GET INVOLVED IN THE ART OF TINKERING

Nate Austen - 0427 543 365

**BASKETBALL TASMANIA**

**School Holiday Camps**
Venue: Elphin Sports Centre, Launceston
Times: 10.00am to 4.00pm
Cost: $50 per person

**Wednesday 16 July - U16-U18 Shooting Camp**
At least 1-2 year’s experience and motivation to improve required

**Thursday 17 July - U12-U14 Shoot Camp**
At least 1-2 year’s experience and motivation to improve required

**Friday 18 July - U10 Development Day**
Open to all levels - Fun and Fundamentals

All participants must register online at www.tas.basketball.net.au. Closing date for registration is Wednesday 9 July. Numbers are limited due to court space.

- Great coaching line up - including Ben Rush and a series of experienced guest coaches.
- The shooting camps will work on your technique, footwork, game shooting, finishing, free throws and much more.
- The U10 Development day is open to all levels from 7 years and up. It will cater for all standards and focus on fun and fundamentals.
- Bring your own lunch and ball.

Enquiries: enquiry@basketballtas.com.au or phone 03 6244 2483.

**DJBC AUSSIE HOOPS - ROOKIES PROGRAMS**

DJBC would like to invite 5-6 year old children to join in our Aussie Hoops program at the Deloraine Community Complex.

There will be 3 sessions from 3:20-3:50pm on the 21st & 28th July and the 4th August.

Participation is free, but parents/guardians must be in attendance.

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