



Work Together For Good

TOCUMWAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Wednesday 25th November 2015

Term 4, Week 8

Principal: Darren White

Principal's Report

School Production

Wow! What a hot yet enthralling night it was last Thursday. Our outstanding students took to the stage to provide the audience with many laughs and enjoyment. Congratulations to all our talented students for their fantastic efforts. It was very obvious that they really enjoyed performing for an audience including their families despite the heat wave.

A special thanks to Nicole Laker for providing direction for this performance and to Kate Gowty and Beth Hatty who also put in a large amount of their own time to produce such a superb show. Thank you to those families for the loan of their air coolers and fans as well as the donation of the super-doopers to cool the children down at the end of the show.

A DVD of the Wednesday's matinee performance has been produced and is available for \$5 a copy. Please complete the slip at the bottom of the Newsletter and return with payment to the office by Monday 7th December. No late orders will be taken after this time. Thank you.

Kindergarten Orientation Final Visit

Today we again saw some of our new enrolments in Kindergarten for next year. Our Tiny Treasures joined us between 11:30am-1pm. Our new enrolments have been given a taste of what Kindergarten will be like next year during the past three weeks as they engaged in a variety of activities.

Today's visit also involved an informal parent meeting and morning tea for the parents of our new arrivals.

School Spectacular 2015

This morning, Amelia Locke and Jane Hatty, who were selected along with 30 other students from the Deniliquin district to attend a performing arts excursion, hopped on a bus to Sydney. They will return home on Saturday 28th November. Whilst in Sydney the students will be participating in a drama workshop with the Australian Theatre for Young People; a dance workshop with the Sydney Dance Company; a Sydney Opera House tour; a visit to NSW Art Gallery to see the 'Art Adventure Tour Exhibition'; and culminating with the 2015 night performance of School Spectacular.

Have fun girls!

Riversider at the Printers

The *Riversider*, our school magazine, is at the printers. Those families who have paid their voluntary contributions and paid for their magazine then will receive a copy. Those families who have not paid (or may want more than one copy) may reserve a copy for \$15 each. Just complete the order form attached to this Newsletter and return it to the Office with payment. The print run will be limited so secure one for your family. We are only printing an additional 20 copies to sell after the presentation assembly. However if they are sold before this time we won't have any left. They are full of wonderful photos of your children as well as some of their work and other reports. Don't miss out. If you are not sure whether you have paid for one with your fees, please check with the office staff.

Important Dates

Friday 27th November

SRC Favourite Sport

Dress Up Day

Mon 30th Nov – Wed 2nd Dec

Year 3/4 Sovereign Hill Camp

Monday 7th December

Christmas Service

Wednesday 9th December

Year 6 Farewell

& School Dance

Friday 11th December

2016 School Captains

Speeches 2.00pm

Monday 14th December

Appreciation Morning Tea

Tuesday 15th December

Presentation Evening

Wednesday 16th December

Students' Last Day 2015

Class Party Day &

Pool Afternoon

Friday 18th December

Staff Last Day 2015

Saturday 9th January

Golf Charity Day

Happy Birthday

Alice Barker

Jemma Reid



Mathletes of the Week:

Infants:

Alex Booth

Primary:

Abby O'Connell

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Open Water Experience

Yesterday, our students in years 5 and 6 received a visit from the Royal Life Saving River Safety Coordinator. The students were provided with this opportunity to acquire relevant skills and knowledge to participate in recreational activities in our open water environments. They received information on aquatic hazards and risks, safety equipment and signage, what to wear, entering the water, changing conditions safety actions and open water feature just to name a few. We are very grateful for this visit especially coming closer to the school holidays.

Kindergarten Enrolments

We are currently preparing for 2016. If you have a child to enrol or know of someone who has, please encourage them to complete and return their enrolment forms as soon as possible. Thank you.

Outstanding Excursion Payments

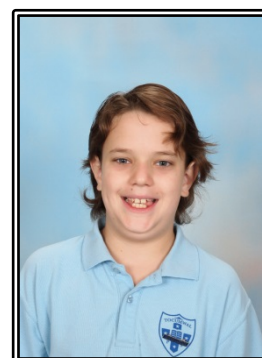
If you have not finalised payment from your child's recent excursion, could you please make your payments promptly? This needs to be attended to as the school is finalising our finances for the end of the year and are carrying some families debt into the new school financial year which is not desirable. We appreciate your efforts in making this one of your priorities. If you are not sure call in and see our friendly office staff.

Darren White

Last Week's Awards



Infants Student of the Week:
Elyssa Scott



Primary Student of the Week
Ryan Hughes



Playground Award:
Alice Barker

P&C News

2016 COMMITTEE

President: Nicole Jones

Secretary: Jane Bouchier

The following positions still need to be filled: Treasurer, Vice-President and Canteen Coordinator. If you are interested in one of these positions please contact Red Gillespie or a committee Member.

GOLF CHARITY DAY HAMPER RAFFLE

We have also been asked to provide a 'House and Garden' hamper for the Golf Charity Day raffle. We are asking families to please donate suitable items to fill the hamper. Please bring donations to the office as soon as possible.

LAST MEETING FOR 2015

Our last meeting for 2015 will be held at the Tocumwal Golf Club on Wednesday 2nd December at 7.30pm. Booking are essential, if you would like to attend please contact Nicole Jones on 0458504795 by Tuesday 1st December.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

We are looking for some volunteers to help with the Year 6 Graduation from 9am-11.30am at the Tocumwal Bowles Club on Wednesday 9th December. Please let me know if you can help.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

The Tocumwal Public School will be cooking a BBQ and selling drinks at Carols by Candlelight on Sunday 20th December. Please let me know if you can assist.

Red Gillespie

P&C President, Ph: 0419 241 135

Values Education:

Kinder:

Cooper Quick

Year 1:

Jake Hicks

Year 3:

Jay Dickins

Year 4/5:

Rhylie DeRijcke

Year 5/6:

Ethan Jeffress

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SRC NEWS

Last Friday the SRC held a very successful Movember Day. We had a Moustache shop at recess and many children turned up to get their moustache. Some had them stuck on, some held them and some had them drawn on.

This Friday we are having a sport dress-up day. We are asking everyone to dress up as their favourite sports person or ready to play their favourite sport. Please bring a gold coin donation to support the children who will be attending the Children's Games next year in New Taipei. Thank you.

Mrs Gastin

Library News

Library borrowing has finished for 2015. Please return all books to the Library as soon as possible. Search high and low for those misplaced books. Look in the bookshelf, under your bed, in your sock drawer, schoolbag or desk. You might find some readers too!



SRC

Sport Dress-Up Day

Friday 27th November

**Come dressed as your favourite
Sportsperson,
Team or Sport**



**Bring a Gold Coin donation to raise money for
children competing in the
Children's Games in New Taipei next year.**

Head Lice (Nits)

A number of cases of head lice have been reported to the office. If your child has head lice they must be treated before coming to school. If children are coming to school untreated then we will not be able to break the cycle.

Thank you to those parents who are helping us by treating their children. Please remember that it is very important to retreat the hair seven days after initial treatment to break the cycle. Don't share hats.



Tips for Tackling Head Lice

Use hair conditioner and a fine head lice comb. Apply conditioner to the hair and comb through with a wide-toothed comb to remove the tangles.

Then use a fine metal lice comb to remove the lice and pull the nits off the hair.

The conditioner helps slow down the louse and makes it easier to comb out.

For more information go to the "Nitbusters" website www.health.nsw.gov.au/headlice/

Canteen Roster

Friday 27th November

9am-11.30am: Emma Baron

11.30am-2pm: Andrea Mansell

Friday 4th December

9am-11.30am: Laura Palmer

11.30am-2pm: Kim Sutton

Friday 11th December

9am-11.30am: Emma Baron

11.30am-2pm: Volunteer Required

We still need one volunteer to assist in the canteen on Friday 11th December from 11.30am-2pm. Please contact Jacqui Wright if you can help.



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Community Notes

TOCUMWAL SWIMMING POOL

AGM POSTPONED

The Tocumwal Swimming Pool will be closed for the next few days. Updates will be posted on The Tocumwal Swimming Pool Facebook Page.

ST MARY OF THE ANGLES SECONDARY COLLEGE ORIENTATION DAY

FOR YEAR 4 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS

Monday 7th December from 9am – 11.30am

RSVP by Friday 4th December Phone: 58662222

COBRAM BAROOGA SWIMMING CLUB

SWIMMING LESSONS-COBRAM OUTDOOR POOL

2 week swimming program from 9th-17th December

FREE assessment week from 2nd-3rd December

30min lessons on BOTH Wednesday and Thursday nights. Primary school aged children and over.

\$30 per child (pool entry additional)

Book Now! coqrambarooga.sc@gmail.com

AUTISM SPECTRUM AUSTRALIA

ASPECT NSW FREE WORKSHOP

Tuesday 1st December , 4-6pm

Wednesday 2nd December, 9.30am-11am

Uniting Church Hall,

Cr Coree and Wollamai Streets Finley 2713.

All families and professionals welcome.

Booking required.

RSVP:03 5888 5188 or 0407 503 902



Year 6 Orientation Day

Thursday 3rd December

8.50am-3.15pm

Students will spend the day at school becoming familiar with the facilities, their new teachers and different subjects through a range of activities.

Students are to come in their current sports uniform.

There will be a complimentary BBQ lunch.

Please remember to return **Excursion permission notes** with a \$50 deposit before or on the day.

Book packs will also be available for purchase from the canteen on the day for \$50.

2015 Riversider

LAST CHANCE!

Family Name _____

I wish to order _____ copies of the 2015 *Riversider* magazine.

Please include \$15 per copy with your order.

**Please return orders by Friday 27th November*

Tocumwal Public School School Performance DVD Order Form



I wish to order _____ copies of the School Performance DVD at a cost of \$5 per copy.

Name _____ Amount enclosed _____

**Please return orders with payment to the school office by Monday 7th December.*

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A NIGHT AT THE TOSCARS



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