



Work Together For Good

TOCUMWAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Wednesday 20th May, 2015

Term 2, Week 5.

Principal: Darren White

Principal's Report

Creative Catchment Kids 2015

Our school is thrilled to be involved in this year's Creative Catchment Kids (CCK) program. This year, the following Year 6 students: Rose Chamberlain, Sascha Jones, Tom Barker and Harvey White will represent our school. At a recent workshop the students were involved in a tutorial on how to develop a school reader, based on a Local Land Hero, who is managing a pest species in our region. As well as completing a book this year, the CCK team will be involved in a field trip. The Creative Catchment Kids program is an initiative of Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre, at Burrumbuttock and is supported by the Murray Local Land Services.

Over 60 schools from the Murray and Riverina regions are involved in this engaging initiative.



Rose Chamberlain



Sascha Jones



Tom Barker



Harvey White

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2015

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for all students in Years 3 & 5 is over for yet another year. Students sat a Language Convention test (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) a Writing test, a Reading test and a Numeracy test (Number, Algebra, function and pattern; Chance and data; Measurement and space). Well done to all of our students who eagerly took on the demands of these challenging assessments. Thanks to all parents who ensured their children were at school every day of the tests. Results will be made available to parents, students and the school later in the year.

Kindergarten 2016 Information Session

This evening, Wednesday 20th May at 7:30pm, we will be holding an information session for parents and guardians of all new and prospective children entering Kindergarten in 2016. The Session will be in our Kindergarten room and it is expected to run for approximately 45mins-1hr.

It would be appreciated if you could pass this information on to any families you believe may be interested in attending.

School Fees

Attached to the newsletter week 2 was the 2015 School Fee contribution form. This also takes into account the cost of the Maths text book and

Important Dates

Wednesday 20th May
2016 Kinder Information Night
7.30pm

Wednesday 27th May
Simultaneous Story Time

Friday 29th May
Boys Softball
Sturt Public School

Wednesday 3rd June
UNSW Science

Friday 5th June
Tony Locket Shield
PSSA Netball

Monday 8th June
Queen's Birthday Holiday

Thursday 11th June
Riverina Cross Country

Happy Birthday

Ivy Schwan 23rd

Keeley Peters 25th



Mathletes of the Week:

Infants:

Alice Barker

Primary:

Samantha Anderson-
Catchpool

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consumables. It would be appreciated if you could return the form to the school office with your payment promptly. Thank you.

School Uniform

Our school has a school uniform policy and it is expected that all students attending Tocumwal Public School will wear proper school uniform to school each day unless there are reasonable circumstances which prevents them wearing it. A note from a parent or caregiver must accompany the out of uniform child explaining why they are out of uniform.

Lately a number of students have **not** been wearing school jumpers, instead wearing surf and other commercially branded clothing. I realise with the colder weather upon us students may need to wear coats and jackets. This is fine as long as a school jumper is being worn underneath.

We have a supply of new uniforms available for purchase at the office and second hand uniforms can be purchased from the local opportunity shop Hunters Haven.

If you are missing an item of clothing come and take a look at our lost property box, it is full of clothing without names clearly labelled! If you are having financial difficulty and are not able to supply your child with the correct school uniform, please come and see our lovely ladies at the office and we can arrange something for your child. Thank you for your support with this important matter.

Label Everything!

Your child's belongings can get easily misplaced at school. Please label all of your child's belongings with their name. Don't forget books, pencil cases, clothing and school bags.

Too sick to go to school?

Sometimes it's hard to know if your child is really coming down with something or just suffering a bout of Mondayitis. This chart will help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/too-sick-to-go-to-school>

Are your contact details up-to-date?

Please make sure you inform the front office if your emergency contact details have changed.



Make the school aware of any special family circumstances

Any changes to your child's family situation can impact on their emotional and academic well-being. Inform your child's teacher and principal about any changed circumstances so that the child can be supported if necessary. Examples of special circumstances include the birth of a sibling, divorce or the death of a loved one.

Tissues

Each year as we enter into the cooler months, we find the demand on our tissue resources very high. Each year we ask each class member to supply a box of tissues for the class to help with the drawbacks of the winter months. Many students have already started bringing in their class tissues and we thank them for their promptness. Students are to hand their box of tissues to their own class teacher

Darren White

Last Week's Awards



Infants Student of the Week:
Darcee Stevens



Primary Student of the Week
Sascha Jones



Playground Award:
Tahlia Pate

Values Education:

Kinder:

Lucy Watmore

Year 1:

Hastings Wainohu

Year 2:

Ivy Schwan

Year 3:

Matilda Hutchinson

Year 4/5:

Hayley Palmer

Year 5/6:

Taylah White

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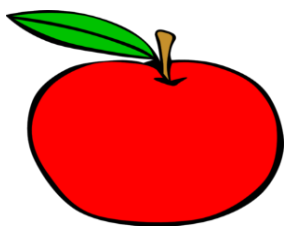


Skill Zone Sports

For 8 weeks this term, Adam Gatchum and his team will be in the school on a Wednesday. They will work with each class for 1 hour on different sports including basketball, soccer and tennis. Here are some photos of Year 6 practicing their soccer skills.



Canteen Roster Term 2



Fri 22nd May
9am-11.30am Emma Baron
11.30am-2pm Shallon Bedford

Fri 29th May
9am-11.30am Michelle Hack
11.30am-2pm Bec Ball

Fri 5th June
9am-11.30am Laura Palmer
11.30am-2pm **Volunteer Needed**

Fri 12th June
All Day Jane Bouchier

Fri 19th June
9am-11.30am **Volunteer Needed**
11.30am-2pm **Volunteer Needed**

Fri 26th June
9am-11.30am **Volunteer Needed**
11.30am-2pm **Volunteer Needed**

Community Notices



Year 6 Open Night at Finley High School

Date: Wednesday 3rd June 2015 at 5.30pm

Where: Finley High School Hall

The Open Night is a chance for Year 6 students and their parents to explore the different areas of the school and gain an insight into what subjects are offered.



1, 2, 3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Barooga.

Being a parent can sometimes be very tricky!

At times children act in ways that can be very frustrating.

'123 Magic and Emotion Coaching' is a program designed to help parents and care givers find different ways to manage their children's behaviour in a positive way.

You will learn practical things that help like:

- using counting to manage difficult behaviour,
- encouraging positive behaviour, and
- helping children manage their emotions.

This program is helpful for parents with children that are 2 to 12 years of age.

Cost: This is a **FREE** program

When: Thursday 4th, 11th & 18th June 2015

Time 7pm- 9pm

Where: Trikki Kidz, 47-51 Takari Street, Barooga

Sound interesting?

Sharon Soule - Intereach ~ Family Links worker

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