



Work Together For Good

TOCUMWAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Wednesday 15th July, 2015

Term 3, Week 1

Principal: Darren White

Principal's Report

Welcome back to school for Term 3. I hope everyone had a safe and restful break. Term 3 looks very busy, as is normal for this time of the year. We have many great learning and performance based opportunities for the students which will well and truly keep them active and engaged during the term.

In Memory of Joseph Volpe

Just before the end of Term 2 we were informed of the tragic passing of Joseph Volpe, devoted husband of Michelle, loving father, grandfather and uncle. As a school community we hope we can support Michelle, Jacinta and their family during this time of immense sadness and grief.

Infants Excursion

Our infants classes left school early yesterday morning bound for Albury to attend a live show at the Albury Arts Centre. The children were fully engaged in the performance and enjoyed every moment. The staff and students then called in to the Corowa Chocolate factory on their way home to take a tour and to make their own giant chocolate freckle. What a way to start the first day of Term 3.

Winter Round Robin

This Friday 17th July our students in Years 3 to 6 will participate in a gala style sports day in Mulwala. Children have made a selection from four sports including Soccer, AFL, Matball and Netball. If you are able to assist one of the teams for the day could you please let the school know.

School Athletics Carnival

On Friday, 24th July, we will be hosting our Athletics Carnival at the Tocumwal Recreation Reserve. We aim to begin at 9:45am with all students participating in the March Past. We will then be moving onto our regular events for the day. We will run our field events at the oval on the day and as usual need some essential parental assistance. If you can assist on the day as a timer / marshal or assistant could you please notify the school via the tear off slip at the bottom of your Newsletter as this will help to organise the day. Your help is greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you there on the day if you can make it.

Education Week/ Book fair

On Thursday 30th July, we will be holding an Education Week assembly starting at 2:15pm to celebrate Education Week and our love of learning. This will involve a class performance and some presentations of certificates.

The day before, Wednesday 30th July, students will be given the opportunity to visit the school library that will be set up with displays of new books. Students will view then take home a wish list containing the names of books they would like to purchase.

On the Thursday each class will be given time to buy their selected books and start enjoying them. A percentage of the books sold are donated back to the school as books for our library. Thank you to those families who have been able to support this worthy promotion.

Important Dates

Friday 17th July

Winter Round Robin

Friday 24th July

School Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 28th July

UNSW English Competition

Wednesday 29th July

Little Bad Wolf-Performance

Thursday 30th July

Book Fair

Tuesday 11th August

UNSW Maths Competition

Wednesday 12th August

P&C Meeting 7.30pm

Friday 14th August

Zone Athletics Carnival

Tues 8th – Fri 11th September

Year 5/6 Excursion

From the Office...

Please pay outstanding money due for the Infants Excursion as soon as possible.

Happy Birthday

Ashtyn Hack
Adrienne Jones
Jeremy Davis



Mathletes of the Week:

Infants:

Charlie Locke

Primary:

Jackson Bury

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NAIDOC DAY

On the last day of term we had a real treat for our children. We celebrated NAIDOC Day. Students from Sacred Heart Primary joined us during this day of celebration. Miss Willoughby organised a host of activities that involved cooking, weaving, painting, traditional indigenous games and storytelling. We also painted a rainbow serpent on a feature wall in the Year 6 area.

The day was fabulous. We thank Miss Willoughby for her hard work and preparation and the Year 6 students who lead the groups through the activities.

We thank our parents who were able to come in and assist during the day and be part of our schools celebrations.

Inter-School Equestrian Challenge

During the first week of the school holidays, Alex Laker and Mackenzie Loughridge travelled to Werribee Park to compete in the Victorian Interschool Championships that was held at the National Equestrian Centre.

The two girls competed with other riders in their age group in a range of disciplines. They had a wonderful time representing our school.

University of NSW English Assessment

On Tuesday 28th July, students in Years 4 to 6 as well as those self-nominated students from Years 3 and 5 will sit the University of NSW English Assessment. This test will explore literacy skills involving reading, comprehension, punctuation, grammar and spelling. Good luck to all of our students entering.

Child Protection Education

This year our school will again be teaching Child Protection Education as part of the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) program. Child Protection Education is mandatory in all schools across NSW. Permission notes and further information explaining more about what is dealt with in these units are being sent home today. Please sign and return to the school office so that class lessons can go ahead in Week 5.

Absentee Notes

Attached to the Newsletter this week is an absentee slip. Simply fill in the appropriate details and send the slip to the child's classroom teacher. It is a requirement by law that all students under 15 attend school each day. All absences need to be explained so that the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) is satisfied that there is a legitimate reason for a child's absence. Any unexplained absences that show a consistent pattern will be investigated by the HSLO.

Label everything!

Your child's belongings can be 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.

Parents & Citizens

Our P&C are meeting on Wednesday 12th August at 7:30pm in the school library. We are always happy to see new and familiar faces and you will be made to feel most welcome.

Sign in book

Just a friendly reminder for any volunteers who come on to the school grounds to assist a class throughout the day be it for maths or reading groups etc... You are required to sign the sign in book located in the office foyer. We appreciate your understanding. This is an OH&S requirement for all schools.

Darren White

Children's Book Week Donations Appeal

During Week 3 students will be celebrating Education Week. We are inviting families to purchase and donate a short-listed book to our Library which will also be used during Education Week activities.

Book prices range from \$9.00- \$33.00. All donations are appreciated and acknowledged in the donated book. If you would like to donate a book please choose from the selection available at the school office.

Thanks,

Mariane Robinson

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Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will be held during Education Week, on Thursday 30th July. Once again the books will be provided by the Deniliquin Newsagent.

All children will have an opportunity to browse the books on the Tuesday or Wednesday before, with their class, to make up their own wish list.

Books will be able to be purchased after 12.15pm on the Thursday. All orders need to be placed on the day and must be paid for. As we will be having an Education Week assembly on the Thursday afternoon parents are more than welcome to come in and browse or purchase books as well.

Canteen News

The Canteen will once again be operating on Fridays during Term 3. We will require one volunteer a week to help out. We will also need volunteers to assist in the canteen during the Athletics Carnival on Friday 24th July. Please fill out the return slips below if you can assist. A new Menu will start on Friday 31st July. The new Menu will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Tocumwal Public School **2015 Athletics Carnival CANTEEN Helpers**

I am able to assist in the Canteen at the 2015 Athletics Carnival on Friday 24th July.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Canteen Roster Term 3, 2015

I am able to be placed on the Canteen Roster for Term 3, 2015.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

(Please tick)

I am willing to do: ☐ **one** ☐ **two** ☐ **three** days this term.

I am available: ☐ All Day 9am-2pm ☐ Morning 9am-11.30am ☐ Afternoon 11.30am-2pm

I am able to assist on the following dates:

☐ Friday 21st August

☐ Friday 28th August

☐ Friday 31st July

☐ Friday 4th September

☐ Friday 7th August

☐ Friday 11th September

☐ Friday 14th August

☐ Friday 18th September

* Please return slip to the office as soon as possible

Tocumwal Public School **2015 Winter Round Robin Helpers**

I am able to assist with the Winter Round Robin in Mulwala on Friday 17th July.

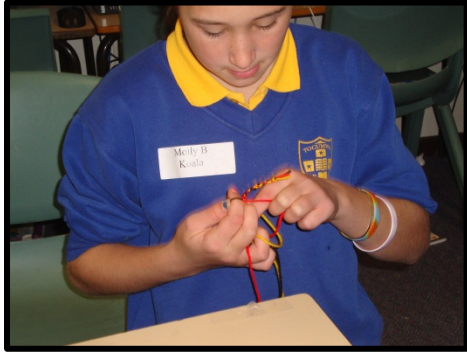
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Approved Reasons: *(tick one)*

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Medical/Dental Appointment

Other (please give reason)

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