



Work Together For Good

# TOCUMWAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Term 1, Week 10

Principal: Darren White

## Principal's Report

Welcome back after our short break over Easter. We hope you had a nice time catching up with family and enjoying all of the entertainment that Tocumwal had on during the weekend.

### **Easter Hat/Bonnet Parade and Raffle**

Last Thursday students paraded an Easter hat or bonnet in front of the school. We saw some amazing sights with students producing works of art demonstrating their creativity. Well done for all of your efforts to support this event.

The Easter raffle was also drawn, with many happy recipients taking home their prizes ready to unwrap come Sunday morning. A big thank you to the P&C and all of our generous families for their donation of eggs, bunnies, chickens and bilbys for the prizes.



### **Well Done in Cootamundra Boys!**

Last Thursday, Angus Bouchier, Raymond Sutton, Hunter Hardwidge, Charles Locke and Logan White all travelled to Cootamundra to compete in the Riverina PSSA Soccer trials. These trials brought together all of the zones across the Riverina for an intense day of games between all teams. The boys played in the Finley Zone team for the day. They all played 3 games in their attempt to catch the selectors' eyes for a spot in the Riverina Team.

Despite all players performing at their best including a 6-2 victory in the last game, we were unable to see any of our boys' progress onto the next level. Congratulations on your wonderful sportsmanship and attitudes throughout the day.

### **Finley Zone Netball Team**

Jane Hatty and Abby O'Connell have both been selected into the Finley Zone Netball team after competing with 25 girls at the zone trials held in Berrigan on Tuesday afternoon. The coach said the girls played extremely well in their trial games and showed great versatility and sportsmanship. Macey White made it into the final 14 girls but missed selection into the team of 10 players. Jane and Abby, with their team, will play in Griffith in the Western Riverina Trials on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April in an attempt to gain selection into the Western Riverina Team. Good luck Jane and Abby we hope you reach your goals.



## **Important Dates**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
P&C Movie Night

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April**  
P&C Meeting 7pm

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April**  
Last Day Term 1

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April**  
ANZAC Day

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April**  
Staff Return for Term 2

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April**  
Students Return for Term 2

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May**  
School Photos

## **Happy Birthday**



Dan Barnes  
Milly Beatt  
Alex Booth  
shton Desailly  
Amani Hoza



### **Mathletes of the Week:**

#### **Infants:**

Hunter Groutsch

#### **Primary:**

Samantha Anderson-  
Catchpool

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## Good Luck in Albury Girls!

Amelia Locke, Elizabeth Locke, Hannah Stewart, Alana Sutton, Alexandra Laker and Macey White have travelled to Albury today to compete in the Riverina PSSA Girls Soccer trials. These trials bring together all of the zones across the Riverina for an intense day of games between all teams. The girls will play in the Finley Zone team for the day. They will play at least 3 games. From here the selectors will pick individuals to play in the "Possibles and Probables" sides (only 22 players). After this game they will name the Riverina Team. The Riverina Team will play in the State PSSA Soccer Carnival during Term 3. We wish the girls all the best for the trials

## Aspire Me Drama Camp

This Thursday and Friday, Dakota Cracknell and Elizabeth Locke will be attending a two day Aspire Me drama camp to participate in drama workshops over two days that will culminate in a showcase at the end of day 2. Our students will work with 3 artists, Helen Dickie – Characterisation, Alyce Fisher– Improvisation and Danielle O'Keefe - Voice and Sound. I'm certain the students will have a fantastic two days learning from the experts, mixing with other students from surrounding schools and performing in front of an audience.

## Infants and Primary Movie Night

This Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> April, we will be holding a Movie Night. We will be running an infant's (K-2) movie in the Kindergarten classroom and a movie for primary students (Years 3-6) in the library. The entry fee of \$5 will include supper and a drink. Other items will be made available at the canteen during intermission if children are still peckish. The movie will begin at **6 pm** sharp and will be finished for parents to collect their children at **8 pm**. Students attending are expected to arrive from 5:30pm so they can fit their supper in before the movie starts. Please don't come late as it only disturbs those who are watching the movie. Hope to see you there. Tell your friends. All welcome, bring the family.

**No children** are allowed in the playground during Movie Night. They must stay up in the assembly area before moving into the classroom or library.

NB. High School Students are welcome if they do not talk or play with mobile phones.



## ANZAC DAY

As happens each year, our students have been invited to take part in the ANZAC March and wreath laying ceremony on Monday, April 25th. We are hoping that as many students as possible will make themselves available to participate in the March. Students are required to be dressed in summer school uniform and assemble at the town end of Anzac

Parade. March off will be at 10:45am. The ceremony is expected to be less than 45 minutes in duration. All students present and marching on this day will be rewarded for their loyalty by having an extended recess when they return back to school after the holidays. I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Last year we had over 80% of students attending.

## Term 1 finishes on Friday 8th April.

Students will resume classes on Wednesday 27th April. All staff will be returning on the Tuesday for training and development activities.

**Darren White**

### Managing screen-time

Helping kids find the right balance between activities, homework and screen time is a challenge that only gets harder as they grow older. Common sense Media has lots of useful resources to help – from movie and game ratings to articles like this one on setting screen time limits that are realistic enough that your children will actually follow them. Read the article here:

<http://bit.ly/1pBIfmf>

### Books to boost brains

Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It's also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (for adults too!). If your child hasn't found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier's Reading Challenge list? Here are top suggestions for all ages, including young adult:

<http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0>

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## **P&C News**

### **P&C MEETING**

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 7pm in the School Library. All welcome!

### **BULB DRIVE**

Please return orders to the office with payment no later than Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April. The bulbs will be ordered during the holidays and should be at school for collection early in Term 2.

### **MOVIE NIGHT**

The Movie Night will be held this Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April from 5.30pm. Hope to see you all there to catch a movie with your classmates. \$5.00 entry. Movie starts at 6pm sharp.

### **CANTEEN**

If you are able to lend a hand in the Canteen next term, please contact Sonia or fill out the form attached to the Newsletter. Without your help the Canteen struggles and the kids miss out. Your kind donation of time is greatly appreciated.

### **EASTER RAFFLE**

Thank you to all those who donated Easter eggs and sold/purchased raffle tickets for our Easter Raffle. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Nicole Jones, P&C President Ph: 0458 504 795

## P&C Bulb Drive

Please return orders with  
payment to the  
office by

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April



### **Canteen Roster**

#### **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

All Day

Leiann McKenzie

#### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

9am-12pm

Emma Baron

11.30am-2.30pm

Nanna Bibby



### **Community Notes**

#### **BIRALEE OOSH**

#### **APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016

Vacation Program and Booking Forms are available at the School Office.

Bookings must be handed in to Biralee OOSH no later than Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **FINLEY FARMERS' MARKET,**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at a new venue,  
The Palm tree, near Railway Park  
Endeavour Street, centre of town.

Supporter of the Heywire winner 'Boots for Change' drive supporting local farmers.

Wear your boots and come on down for a bacon and egg roll and some local coffee.

8am till 12 noon

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in colour on our website at  
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## **Canteen Roster Term 2 2016**

I am able to be placed on the Canteen Roster for Term 2, 2016.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to do ☐ one ☐ two ☐ three days this term (please tick)

I am available: ☐ All Day 9am-2.30pm ☐ Morning 9am-12 noon ☐ Afternoon 11.30am-2.30pm

I am able to assist on the following dates:

☐ Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April

☐ Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May

☐ Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May

☐ Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

☐ Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

☐ Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

☐ Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June

☐ Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June

☐ Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June

☐ Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July



## **Notice to receive Newsletter via Email or Hard Copy**

Family Name: .....

Student Name: ..... Class: .....

Student Name: ..... Class: .....

Student Name: ..... Class: .....

☐ I wish receive a hard copy Newsletter.

☐ I wish to receive my Newsletter by email (please provide email address).



Email address: .....

***\*Please return to the office by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April***

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