



Work Together For Good

TOCUMWAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Wednesday 8th June 2016

Term 2, Week 7

Principal: Darren White

Principal's Report

Lions Club Public Speaking Competition

On Thursday 9th June, students in Years 3-6 will be moving to the library to watch the school finals of the Lions Club Public speaking Competition. Leading up to the finals, students in Years 3-6 held in-class competitions, where students were selected to compete in the 3-4 and 5-6 categories. Representatives from the Tocumwal Lions Club will be adjudicating the competition and selecting an eventual winner to compete at the club level at their next meeting. All interested parents are welcome to be part of the audience. Good luck to all competitors.

Boys Softball Knockout

Yesterday our boys' softball team travelled to Wagga Wagga to play in the NSW PSSA Boys Softball knockout against the reigning State Champions: Sturt Public School. After a long drive to Wagga, where the students sounded more like pop star impersonators than softballers, with DJ Ethan and Patrick lining up the tunes along the way, we were greeted with a light shower of rain that didn't stop for the duration of the game.

The diamond was a slick and soapy mud patch which doubled as an ice skating rink as batters made their way around the bases battling to keep their footing.



Our team managed to get 7 runs home against the reigning champs and limited them to only 17 runs which was a surprise to them. They had expected an easy victory. The Toc boys gave as good as they got, by putting pressure on the Sturt team at every opportunity making them earn every base.

It was a great experience for all players who then celebrated second place at Macca's. Again we were entertained by the Tocumwal Boys Pop Choir all the way home. Well done team you did us proud. (Just putting it out there, does anyone have a spare set of earmuffs?)

Riverina Cross-Country Carnival

Next Thursday 16th June we will be sending our biggest team from TPS, that I can remember, to Gundagai to compete in the Riverina Regional Cross Country Carnival. It will be a wonderful experience for the students who will be representing the Finley Zone. It brings together the best cross country runners in the Riverina. Competition will be high as they race for a spot in the Riverina Team to compete at the NSW State Cross-Country Championships at Eastern Creek, Sydney, early next term.

We wish Alice Bouchier, Tahlia Pate, Tully Jones, Joe Barker, Jessica Bennett, Alana Sutton, Jak Drysdale, Abby O'Connell, Hunter Mathers, Braydie Wright and Raymond Sutton all the very best.

Important Dates

Thursday 9th June

Lions Public Speaking
School Final

Friday 10th June

Winter Round Robin-Mulwala

Monday 13th June

Queen's Birthday

Thursday 16th June

Riverina Cross-Country

Friday 1st July

NAIDOC Day
Last Day Term 2

Monday 18th July

Staff Return for Term 3

Tuesday 19th July

Students' Return for Term 3

**Book Club
Issue 4**

**Due: 9am
Friday 10th June**

Happy Birthday



Connor Davis
Bella Wisz
Mrs Gastin



Mathletes of the Week:

Infants:

Hunter Groutsch

Primary:

Jackson Bury

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Student Reports

Students in Kindergarten-Year 6 will have their student reports handed out on Friday 24th June 2016. If any parents are requiring additional copies to pass on to another parent not living with your family could you please notify the school so we can prepare additional copies of your child's report.

School-based assessment and reporting in Kindergarten to Year 6

Your child's achievement and progress in class is assessed by their teacher who use a variety of ways to assess students including observing their work in class and looking closely at the work they produce. They make assessments of their students' progress throughout the year.

Teachers also make judgements twice a year of each student's achievement compared with the expectations described in each key learning area (KLA) syllabus. In Years 1-6, their judgements are made on a 5 point achievement scale, using A-E or the word descriptors; *Outstanding, High, Sound, Limited* and *Basic*.

Parent Interviews

For those parents who are seeking an interview with their child's classroom teacher, a form will be attached to next week's newsletter, which will show the availability of your child's teacher for interview during the week starting 27th June. Please mark in the time/s that you require and return it to school as soon as possible to attain your interview time. You will be notified via a return slip being sent home to confirm your interview.

University of NSW Spelling Test

Next Tuesday 14th June, students in Years 4 and 6, as well as those self-nominated students from Years 3 and 5, will sit the UNSW Spelling Assessment. It will assess and report students' skills at spelling words in four different contexts: dictation, proofreading, error correction and applying rules and conventions.

The words tested range from frequently-used/common words with simple spelling patterns to less frequently-used/less common and technical words with difficult or unusual spelling patterns. These words can be organised under four types of spelling knowledge:

- visual - using memory of the visual features of a word
- phonological - using sound-letter relationships
- morphological - using parts of words to build word families
- etymological - using word origins and derivations.

Good Luck to all students involved.

Infants and Primary Movie Night

On Friday, 29th June 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 in time 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.

Last Week's Awards



Infants Student of the Week:
Adrienne Jones



Primary Student of the Week
Hamish Smithers



School Award:
Declan Palmer

Values Education

Kinder:

Bella Wisz

Year 1:

Meeya Dunbar

Year 2:

Willa Campbell

Year 3/4:

Issy Bennett

Year 4/5:

Jessica Bennett

Year 5/6:

Asha Campbell

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 to 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.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability just like the past 4 years.

We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability. Better data will help the Government plan for students with disability. The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government's Privacy Policy can be found here:

<http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy>.

If you do not want your child to be counted in the data collection please contact the school before the end of Term 2, 2016. A decision to exclude your child will not affect the support they currently receive.

Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website:

<http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

If you have any questions about your child being included in the data collection please contact the school.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held tonight, 8th June, at 7:30pm in the school library. We would love for you to join us.

Darren White



SRC News

The SRC are organising a special dress up day on Thursday 23rd June. As part of our 'Give Me 5 for Kids' Hospital Appeal, we are asking children to dress up in their onesies, pyjamas or dressing gowns (remember to wear sensible shoes) and bring along a bandaged bear or soft toy. We will be holding a cup cake and slice stall at recess. Prices will range from \$1.00-\$2.00 per item of food. They will be really yummy!

Mrs Gustin, SRC Coordinator

Tocumwal Public School **Winter Round Robin Helpers**

I am able to assist with the Winter Round Robin in Mulwala on Friday 10th June.

My preferred team to assist with is: Football Netball Soccer Matball (*please circle*)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Please return slip to the office as soon as possible

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WINTER ROUND ROBIN Years 3-6 CANTEEN MENU

Friday 10th May – Mulwala

Party Pies	\$1.00	
Sausage Roll	\$3.00	
Hot Dog	\$3.00	
Hot Chips	\$3.00	
Soup	\$2.00	
Cake/slices	\$0.50	
Tea/coffee/milo	\$1.00	
Bottle of water	\$2.00	
Prima	\$1.00	



ICG Fundraiser

Movie Night – Finley High School Hall

Friday 10th June 2016

5.30pm BBQ Tea

6.15pm Movie Starts

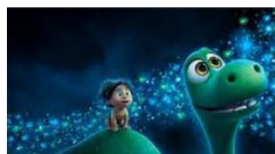
Showing

"The Very Good Dinosaur" PG Rated

Price: \$10

(Includes, sausage in bread,
a can of soft drink or water and a bag of popcorn.)

What to bring: pillows, blankets.



Intermission:

There will be slices, muffins, cans of drinks and or Water

Lollies for Sale

Hope you Enjoy Your Night!

Thank you for supporting our Local Athletic, Swimming & Tennis Athletes in the Berrigan Shire

Canteen Roster

Friday 10th June

9am-12pm

Emma Baron

11.30am-2.30pm

Laura Palmer

Friday 17th June

9am-12pm

Carly Almond

11.30am-2.30pm

Gen Scott

Friday 24th June

All Day:

Toni Web

Friday 1st July

9am-12pm

Laura Palmer

11.30am-2.30pm

Volunteer Required

Canteen News

"NEW!"

Milo Poppers \$1.80

Our NUGGETS are now GLUTEN FREE

RECESS SPECIALS

Rainbow Cupcakes 50c

Cake mix Cookies 80c

Choc Chip Cookies 80c

Brownie 80c

LUNCH SPECIAL

"LIMITED AMOUNT"

MINI BEEF & CHEESE BURGER \$2.80

*Please remember the after lunch treats cards are no longer used. All money will be taped to lunch orders.

*Please remember if there are no helpers for lunch, all orders will be changed to pies and sausage rolls.

* If you have any excess fruit at home, please feel free to drop some into canteen for our kiddies. They love the fresh fruit after lunch.

We still require a volunteer to assist in the canteen from 11.30am – 2.30pm on the last day of term. Please let me know ASAP if you can help.

Sonia Cracknell

Canteen Coordinator

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