



Work Together For Good

TOCUMWAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Wednesday 23rd September 2020

Term 3, Week 10

Principal: Darren White



HOW2Learn Reciprocity



Reciprocity is the social aspect of learning where the learners are ready, willing and able to learn alone or with other people.

This week we will be focusing on Imitation

- Reading using expression and fluency after demonstration by teacher or peer
- Imitating behaviours in drama or dance
- Imitating on-task behaviours of other students
- Using others' ideas to grow and learn
- Imitating skills or focus to grow and learn

Principal's Report

Girls have Stamina

Yesterday we welcomed Gabrielle Connole (Bachelor of Fine Arts at UNSW) to our school to run three workshops with the girls in Years 4, 5 and 6. Girls Have Stamina Workshop is a photographic and performative program based in primary schools across rural communities in New South Wales, South Australia and the Northern Territory. The workshop had three great aims; to celebrate the fierceness of our rural girls, to encourage confidence in their authentic self-expression, and to facilitate a space where the girls feel a sense of pride in who they are in this world.

The girls had a great time with Gab as they were photographed as they engaged and expressed themselves authentically as individuals as well as writing down inspirational things about themselves and others. Gab will send through to the school a series of photographs she has taken early next term for our school to enjoy.



Important Dates

Friday 25th September
Last Day Term 3

Monday 12th October
Term 4 Begins
for staff and students

From the Office...

Office staff are processing refunds due to the cancellation of school camps.

Once processed, paperwork is forwarded to Shared Services in Sydney for payment. Please be patient, this process may take a little while, continue to monitor your bank account.



Rayleisha Diwell
Jack Watson
Willow
Mr Haley



Mathletes of the Week:

Infants

Mia Clifford

Primary

Lilly Baron

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Footy Day on Friday

Our SRC have been organising a Footy Colours Day to be held on Friday 25th September. The SRC are encouraging students to wear their favourite team jumper or the colours of their favourite team.

We will have a gathering after lunch where students can come up on the stage and sing their team's theme song.

Cancellation of School Camps

Due to advice and recommendations from the NSW Department of Education, our school has decided to cancel all School Camps for the remainder of 2020. A note has been sent home explaining the 2 options of a credit amount on your family account or a full refund. We are very disappointed that your children will not get to experience the thrill of a school camp this year. However, under the circumstances we know it is in the best interests of safety and well-being for them.



Skoolbag App

Skoolbag is our parent communication app for parents and caregivers of students from our school. This app has many functions from being able to alert parents from individual classes or the whole school of events that are coming up or to notify if the bus is running late home from an excursion. It uses free push notification alerts. It will have the latest newsletter for you to view, as well as having the functionality for parents to send an absentee note directly to school if your child is away. If you get stuck come in and see us here at school we will be only too happy to help you install it.

Our aim is to further develop our communication between school and home, especially during these times.

New to Kinder in 2021

If you have a child or know of a family who is thinking of enrolling their child at school next year, could you please direct them to this page on our school website.

<https://tocumwal-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/kindergarten-orientation.html>

Here they will see some videos about our school to help them understand a little about what we do here and how we do it. Thank you!



Reminder about water bottles

A reminder to parents that we have turned the bubblers off at school as a COVID-19 prevention measure. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day they are attending. Taps are available to refill bottles.



No Hat No Play!

In Term 4, we have a No Hat No Play policy for all students expecting to play in the playground. Please ensure that your child has a suitable broad brimmed hat for the start of the term. Hats with the school emblem are on sale at the school office. They are very practical and look quite smart. All kindergarten students should have been given one as a welcome gift from the P&C. If your child is new to Kindergarten and hasn't received their hat yet, call in to the office and see one of the lovely ladies who will be able to assist you.

IGA Dockets

The P&C have now placed a letterbox at the front gate near the office for community members to drop off their IGA Dockets. Children can still drop them off at the office if they wish.





Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) Raffle

We have been asked as a school community to support our local Finley AECG by helping sell raffle tickets to help raise funds to provide guidance and informed cultural learning for local schools including ours as we educate our students about cultural practices, customs, history, language and art. The prize for the raffle is will be a portrait painting of the person of your choice valued at \$1000 by local Aboriginal artist Roslyn Lockhart.

These tickets were sent home in week 8 with families who receive a copy of the Newsletter Additional tickets are available at the office. Tickets sold with money or unsold need to be returned back to the office by **Friday 20th November (new date)**, as the raffle will be drawn towards the end of term 4.

All tickets need to be accounted for by the Finley AECG for auditing purposes. The Finley AECG are very grateful for any efforts you make to purchase or sell the tickets on their behalf.

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.

Keeping things Clean

These girls pictured below have been volunteering to keep our school tidy by picking up rubbish during their break times. A big thank you for all of your help. We can see the improvement. Well done!



End of Term

Finally we wish all families a safe and happy holiday break. School will resume for Term 4 on Monday 12th October. See you all when you return.

Darren White

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Canteen News

We **urgently** require volunteers to assist in the canteen this Friday 25th September. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

Unfortunately the canteen will be closed on the days we don't have any volunteers

We will also require assistance in the canteen in Term 4. Please complete the attached slip and return to the office if you are able to help out next term.

Sophie Walsh, Canteen Coordinator

Footy Colours Day

The SRC are inviting students to wear their Favourite Footy Team Colours
AFL | NRL | Soccer
this Friday 25th September



Canteen Roster

Term 3

Friday 25th
September

URGENT! volunteers required
12.30pm-1pm: Robert Owen

Term 4

Friday 16th
October

1.
2.

Friday 23rd
October

1.
2.

Friday 30th
October

1.
2.

Friday 6th
November

1.
2.

Friday 13th
November

1.
2.

Friday 20th
November

1.
2.

Friday 27th
November

1.
2.

Friday 4th
December

1.
2.

Friday 11th
December

1.
2.

Friday 18th
December

1.
2.

Canteen Roster Term 4 2020

I am able to be placed on the Canteen Roster for Term 4, 2020.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

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

Please tick **ALL** dates you are available in Term 2 to assist with rostering.

You will only be rostered for as many days as indicated above.

Friday 16th October

Friday 23rd October

Friday 30th October

Friday 6th November

Friday 13th November

Friday 20th November

Friday 27th November

Friday 4th December

Friday 11th December

Friday 18th December

* Please return slip to the office as soon as possible