

Tulloona Public School Newsletter

Public and Proud – Celebrating 50 years of Quality Education



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"In our hands lies the future of this land. If we work together, doing our best for the common good, there is no limit to what we can achieve."

Term 2, 2012 – Week 8

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 8



Chloe

Welcome to Tulloona
Public School

Week 8



Mia

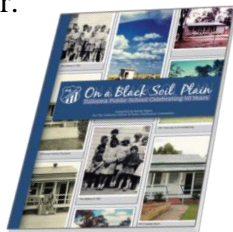
Welcome to Tulloona
Public School!

Principal's Message

Wow! It is hard to believe that the Tulloona School Reunion is just around the corner. With less than a month away the reunion committee is working hard to make sure the day is successful.

I have been asked to remind everyone that they are welcome to come along and join in the festivities of the day / evening activities. If you are thinking of coming, please contact Mrs Kerrie Hayes or the school so that we can include you in the catering numbers. I have again included the invitation and order form at back of the newsletter.

Mrs Hayes has let me know that there is still a chance to get a copy of the book. If you would like a copy please call her and arrange this with her.



Don't forget! Next Friday Mia, Cody, Chloe and Mrs Faulkner are organising a Teddy Bear's Picnic on Friday the 22nd of June at 11:30am. RSVP to the school by Wednesday the 20th so we know numbers

for catering. Please come along with your Teddy Bear and join in on the fun!

On a final note, we said goodbye to Max, Georgia and Julie over the past few weeks and wish them well in their new schools.

Pete Baum

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 9

Monday, June 18th

Tuesday, June 19th

Wednesday, June 20th

Thursday, June 21st - Moree Excursion to Musical 'Lions Pride'

Friday, June 22nd - Teddy's Bears Picnic

Week 10

REUNION PREPERATIONS WEEK

Monday, June 25th

Tuesday, June 26th – NAIDOC DAY Toomelah

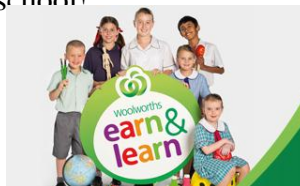
Wednesday, June 27th - CROPPA CREEK Athletics

Thursday, June 28th

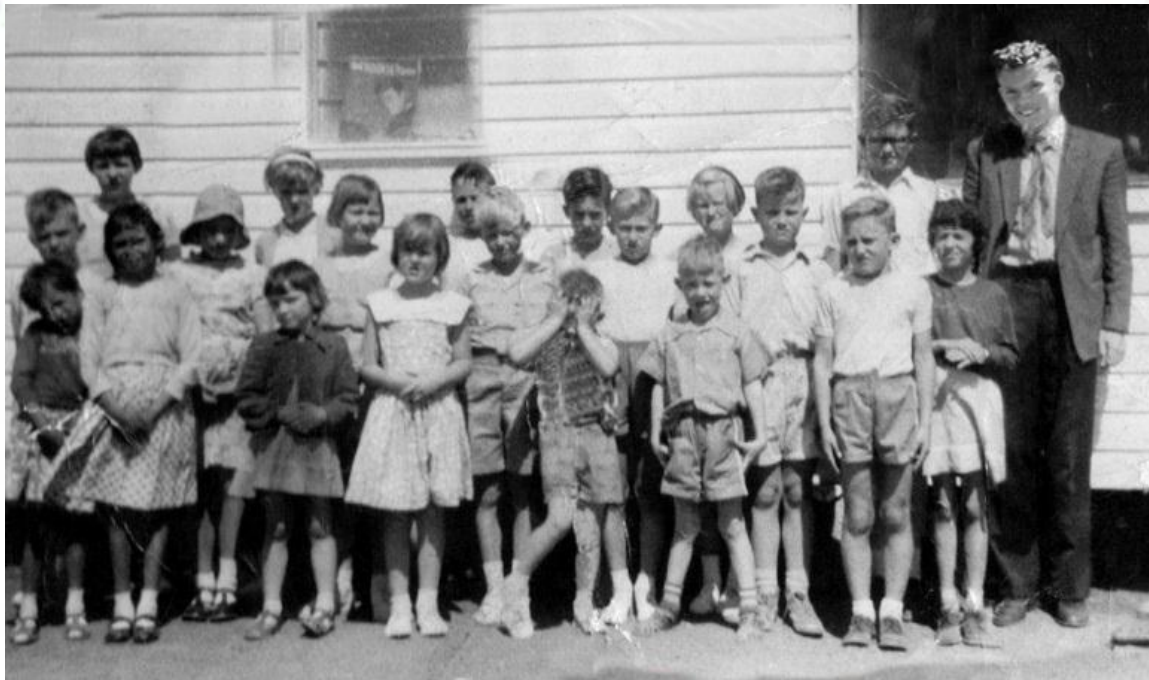
Friday, June 29th – Last Day of Term 2

Coles Vouchers and Woolworths Stickers

We are collecting both at school this year. Please remind families and friends to collect vouchers / stickers and send these into the school to assist with purchasing a variety of additional resources for the school!



Tulloona PS
Photos from the Past



Back Row From Left: Barbara Sinclair, Elaine White, Darrel Jensen, Tony Price, Cecilia Shelton, Douglas White, Mr Richard O'Connor

Middle Row: Daniel Shelton, Dianne Bardsley wearing hat, Jacqueline Shelton, Phillip Cook, Ronald Coulton, Darcy White, Mary Kay Price.

Front Row: Dianne Jarrett, Elaine McGrady, Mary Anne Bardsley, Rae White, Peter Cook with hands over face, Fergus Shelton, Bruce Coulton.

Photo courtesy of Mr Richard O'Connor

School Reunion Saturday, 7th July 2012



MacIntyre Writing Competition

Students have been working hard to brainstorm and start writing their stories for this year's MacIntyre Writing Competition. So far students have come up with some terrific ideas and are thinking about using descriptive language.

Make sure you ask your child about what they are writing about!

News in Sport



We are currently getting ready for our Athletics Carnival at the end of the term. On Tuesday we went to Croppa Creek Public School for an afternoon of working with the trainers from Little Athletics Moree. They are helping us get ready for our combined carnival with Croppa Creek.



Back at school, students have been working on their high jump skills. Nicholas made an awesome jump and is one to watch on the day.

If parents / community members can help at our combined carnival with Croppa Creek, please let us know at school.

Be fire safe this winter

Winter's chill has arrived and with it our scramble for heaters, electric blankets and open fires. Entertaining is now year round thanks to portable outdoor gas heaters.



But with all these conveniences come fire dangers. Statistics reveal that almost half of all home fires are started in the kitchen and 43 per cent of all fire fatalities occur in winter.

NSW Fire and Rescue reminds us to do a fire safety audit of our homes this winter, check smoke detectors are working and ensure appliances such as clothes dryers and dishwashers are running efficiently and safely. For more household fact sheets and useful videos on how to protect your home and family from fire go to www.fire.nsw.gov.au/

School holidays sorted

The school holidays are fast approaching. For great activities to keep the kids gainfully occupied check out the informative

Go Play website which is full of ideas for kids aged up to 18 years. You can search by age, activity, region, date, time and by government organisation. Go to: www.goplay.nsw.gov.au

IF YOU HAVE SOME LOCAL NEWS OR WISH TO ADVERTISE. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL!

INSIGHTS

by Michael Grose – No. 1 parenting educator



It's not okay to be away ... nor to be late to school

When kids miss school, not only is their academic progress impeded, forcing them to catch up on missed work (which some never do), they often miss important interactions with their peers which can compound issues of social isolation and low self-esteem.

One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day—and gets there on time.

It sounds simple, but it's true.

The correlation between school attendance and children's achievement levels is well-established. The more time kids spend at school, the more likely they are to experience school success.

Conversely, according to a report from the Victorian Auditor General, students who are regularly absent from school are at the greatest risk of dropping out of school early, and of experiencing long-term unemployment.

When kids miss school, not only is their academic progress impeded, forcing them to catch up on missed work (which some never do), they often miss important interactions with their peers which can compound issues of social isolation and low self-esteem. Also, many teachers tell me, it's often the kids who can least afford to take time off school who are most likely to be serial absentees.

Of course, most people know this intuitively, yet school absenteeism is a huge problem in Australian schools—and much of it is parent-condoned.

It's hard to get an accurate picture across the country but it would appear that Australian students miss an average of between 12 and 15 days per school year, with parent-condoned absenteeism highest among young primary-aged children.

That adds up to a year's lost schooling over the school-life of a child.

In today's highly competitive world, this rate of absenteeism is alarming, putting our kids at a distinct disadvantage.

That's not a reason to be away!

It's now commonplace for children to stay away from school for reasons that would have been unheard of just twenty years ago. These include staying away to celebrate their own or a sibling's birthday; being absent because they stayed up too late watching television; going shopping for clothes; an extended long weekend; and kids not wanting to take part in a sports day or special school event.

This type of absenteeism sends a strong message to kids that parents don't really value learning or their children's school experiences.

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Being late is not okay either

Missing a few minutes each day may not seem like a big deal but your child may be missing more than you realise if he or she is continually late.

Current research shows that mornings for most children are the most productive time of the day, with 10.00am the peak period for productivity. When children arrive late and take time to settle as they inevitably do, valuable learning time is lost.

It takes strong parenting...

As a parent myself I know how persuasive children of all ages can be when it comes to taking a day off school. It takes a strong will to resist the persistent pressure that kids can bring to bear, particularly if they play the guilt card with comments such as "It's not fair that I have to go school today because Aunty is coming to visit!"

Nice try. But the answer should be "No!"

As parents we need to make a commitment that our kids make the most of their precious time at school. That means that we send them to school every day, on time and ready to make the most of the school day.

Of course, there will be times, such as illness or genuinely extenuating family circumstances, when kids should be away. But these need to be a rarity rather than the norm.

It's reassuring to know that you increase their chances of future success just by making sure they turn up to school every day. And of course regular school attendance also helps kids prepare for the workforce, where it will be expected that they turn up each day work-ready. The real world is unforgiving of those who stay away with NO EXCUSE.

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Tulloona Public School Celebrating 50 Years

To be held at

Tulloona Public School at 9:30am on 7th July 2012

and then the

Goondiwindi Community Centre, Lagoon St Goondiwindi Qld 4390
at 5:30pm on 7th July 2012

Please order and pay **before 29 May 2012** so that we can print the correct number of books and provide definite catering numbers – **payment by internet banking or cheque**. Please pay and email Kerrie details using these forms. If paying by Internet Banking enter your name in the remitter name section of your payment so we can match your payment with your attendance and book orders. BPay or cash on the day is **not available**. Thank you everyone.

For Internet Banking

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The Tulloona Public School 50 Year Celebration Book

Price per book	Number of books	Amount
\$42.00		

Events on the following page
All Payments due before 29 May 2012

Tulloona Public School

07 July 2012 from 9:30am to 1:30pm includes all food, tea, coffee

Age	Price per head	Name of each person attending for Name Tags	Amount \$
Adult	\$15		
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Adult	\$15		
3 to 16 years	\$5		
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Under 3	No fee		

Total for Day

07 July 2012 Dinner Goondiwindi Community Centre from 5:30pm

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Adult	\$35		
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Adult	\$35		
3 to 16 years	\$10		
3 to 16 years	\$10		
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3 to 16 years	\$10		
Under 3	No fee		

Total for Night

Total for Day

Total for Books

Total Amount

Method of Payment

Date of Payment

There will be a bar at the dinner so that refreshments can be purchased on the night.