

# **Tulloona Public School**

Newsletter

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Date	Event
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Felicity at Principal Conference
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8 <sup>th</sup> March	Visit from Sam Clifton
	Learning Support Moree
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Visit from Anne Pepper
	School Counsellor
10 <sup>th</sup> March	First Scripture Lesson
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Sport at North Star with Croppa
	Creek

#### **Dear Parents**

I hope you are all enjoying your Term 1. Please be aware that we have had many cases of sore throats and coughs. If your child is unwell and will be away, just phone the office. We are doing our best to prevent the spread of infection at school, prompting the children to cover their mouths when coughing, washing hands, tissues in the bin etc. We have had many additional events for our students I hope you have heard all about them. If you haven't I have included some details below to prompt a conversation.

Regards

Felicity Quinlan

#### Sport at North Star

We have the opportunity to attend sport at North Star. Last week was the first time we have attended sport at North Star Public School. We joined children from Croppa Creek Public School for two sessions. The year 3-6 children completed a Touch Football session. The kinder-year 2 children completed rotations involving all the fundamental movement skills-throw, catch, dribble, roll and shoot. The children and staff enjoyed their sessions and found it to be very beneficial for the children from all schools to interact. The difficulty for future travel to North Star for sport is that our bus only has seats for 9 children. This means that each week 2 children will need to be transported by parents to North Star. A proposed roster is below for each week. The children are to arrive at North Star to begin sport at 9:30am. The sessions are

completed at 10:45am. All children eat morning tea together and depart at approximately 11:15am. If you are able to assist in transporting your child/children every 5 weeks it would be greatly appreciated. If you are unable please phone the office and we will try to revise the roster.

Proposed Roster for Sport transport

Date	Parent to drive children
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Wren children
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Campion/Makim Children
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Carrigan/Keen Children
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Black/Wilson children
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Rose Children

## **Scripture Lesson**

On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 12:40pm to 1:00pm, our local scripture coordinator will be providing the first weekly scripture lesson. She will be teaching the same lessons at Croppa Creek and North Star Public Schools on the same day. The lesson structure involves working from a booklet, that involves puzzles and songs. If you do not want your child/ren to participate in these weekly lessons please write a note stating that you would prefer your child to be withdrawn from the class.

# Winter Uniform

The Term 2 winter uniform is available at 'Gundy Work Wear'. The children are required to wear the tracksuit- pants and spray jacket that is printed with our school logo. To add to this track suit for additional warmth you can add a navy blue jumper/sloppy joe. Please ensure all items in particular jumpers are named clearly. Children will wear the sand shoes and ankle length socks with this winter uniform.

# Popping popcorn P P P

Yesterday we completed an experiment to pop our own popcorn. This was a focus activity for the kindergarten children who are focusing on the letter p and the sound it makes. The children thoroughly enjoyed making popcorn and eating it afterwards.

#### **Native Bees**

Today we had a visit from the local land care manager Rebecca Morrissy and her Native Bee expert. They provided our students with wonderful information about the native bee species. Tulloona students now have the responsibility to care for approximately 200 baby native bees. Native bees are stingless and take approximately 2 years to make 500ml of honey. As a school we are required to observe the bees daily, place a small amount of pollen at the entrance to the hive, wash down the hive and paint the post weekly. Our main job is to continue to learn and promote the important job that bees do in our environment.







#### Police Visit Adopt-A-Cop

Today we had our very own police officers come and visit our school Senior Constable Megan Wynn is our Adopt-A-Cop/Police Officer. They gave us lots of information about how to stay safe in cars on the road, on bikes by wearing helmets, playing safely in public areas. The main information that they stressed for each child to be able to do was to be able to phone 000 and state their full name, address, phone number and if necessary give directions to the emergency. If I could ask all parents to check your childs understanding of their name, address and phone number it may save a life. We will be working on this in class. The children were then given a tour of two police cars- truck and a highway patrol vehicle. This was a great experience for our students and we will see the Police again next term.





## Anaphylaxis Warning- Eggs, Nuts, Peanuts, Shell Fish and all Fish products.

Please be aware that members of the Tulloona School are anaphylactic to these products. Please refrain from entering the school with these products.

#### **Absent from School Process**

1) If your child is away due to illness: Ring the Office and verbally notify reason for absence. Staff will complete a form for you with the necessary details.

2) If your child is away for 3 consecutive days: a signed written letter explaining absence is required.

3) If your child is late or leaving early: please report to the office and sign your child in or out of the register book.

#### **Enrolment Reminder**

If you have not handed in your copy of the birth certificate and Immunisation register for enrolment please drop it into the office.