



Tulloona Public School

Newsletter

Term 1 , Week 3,

Friday 23rd February, 2018



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School Events

Date	Event
Monday, 2 nd February	Pupil Free Day- Staff attend Mandatory training at Boomi Public School
Friday, 9 th February	Macintyre Swim Carnival in Warialda
Wednesday, 14 th February,	Principal Conference in Moree
Wednesday 21 st February	2018 School Counsellor visit
Thursday 22 nd February	Cari Underwood on class- Creative Arts
Friday 23 rd February	Cari Underwood on class- Creative Arts District Swim Carnival- Moree
Monday 26 th February	Leadership and School Plan Meeting- Felicity in Moree Samantha Hickson on class.
Tuesday 27 th February	School Finance Meeting in Moree Felicity and Debbie attending Cari Underwood on class.
Wednesday 28 th February	Educational Supplies- Teacher Resource Van arrives 3pm
Thursday 1 st March	**P and C Meeting 7pm**
Friday 2 nd March	Clean Up Australia Day Sport begins at North Star 12:00midday
Tuesday 6 th March	School Admin Network Meeting- Deb in Moree
Wednesday 7 th March	Scripture lessons begin- Mrs Mulligan 12:30pm-1:00pm
Wednesday 21 st March	Harmony Day Wear Orange
Thursday 29 th March	Chocolate Egg Making
Friday 30 March	GOOD FRIDAY Public holiday
Sunday 1 st April	Daylight Savings Ends

Monday 2 April	EASTER MONDAY Public holiday
Wednesday 4th April	Variety Bash Representatives Organisational Meeting
Friday 13th April	Last Day of Term 1
Monday 30th April	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 1st May	First Day of Term 2 for Students

Please report student absence to the office on the day of absence before 9:00am.

Dear Parents

I hope you all had and enjoyable Summer and have adjusted back to the school routine. This year has started at a phenomenal pace with numerous events that have occurred or are planned already. The children and staff are working diligently in all areas and have established S.M.A.R.T (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and timely) Goals to achieve. It is great to see their motivation to learn and improve.

Kind Regards

Felicity Quinlan

P and C Meeting 7pm Thursday, 1st March 2018

The first meeting (AGM) for 2018 will be held at 7pm on Thursday 1st March in the library. If you have additional items for the general business meeting please document on the Agenda Sheet attached and return to school prior to the meeting. The classroom will be opened and a G rated DVD will be available for children to watch, while parents are in the meeting.

McIntrye Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all students who participated in the carnival. It was a wonderful occasion to see all children compete and do personal bests in the water. Well Done! Congratulations to Declyn, Wally, Emidey and Catherine for participating in the inter-school relay.

Declyn's swimming times allowed him to qualify to participate in the McKechnie Shield in Moree. Well Done Declyn!

NSW School Zone Changes

Please be aware of the changes within the School Zones throughout NSW. An attached document outlines all of the changes.

Curriculum

Mathematics

As part of our School Plan, the Visible Learning focus is Learning Goals and Assessment and Feedback. The students have all created a SMART learning goal for their Whole Number area of mathematics. They are aware of what they are required to be able to do by the end of the year and what they can work on in order to achieve this. Creating and displaying a SMART goal is motivating them all. The Mathematics Major and Minor focus is outlined in the table below.

Week	Major Focus	Minor Focus
1	Whole Number	Mass
2	Whole Number	Mass
3	Addition and Subtraction	Capacity
4	Addition and Subtraction	3d shapes
5	Fractions and Decimals	Length
6	Fractions and Decimals	Time
7	Multiplication and Division	2D Shapes
8	Multiplication and Division	Position
9	Patterns and Algebra	Angles
10	Patterns and Algebra	Area/Volume

English

As part of our School Plan 'Writing' is the curriculum area of focus for 2018. The children will become familiar with the 'Writing Process' and complete structured writing samples that are imaginative, informative and persuasive. The writing topics are included in the table below:

Week	Writing Theme	Assessment Focus
1	Holidays	Informative
2	Holidays	
3	Farms/Agriculture	Persuasive
4	Farms/Agriculture	
5	Animals/plants	Imaginative
6	Animals/plants	
7	Me/People	Informative
8	Me/People	
9	Sport	Either of 3
10	Sport	

Science

This term the Unit is about The Living World. The children will explore the concepts of living things, classification of living things, dichotomous keys, differences between animals and plants, habitats, life cycles and adaptations to habitats and species.

History

The unit this term will focus on Australian History- The establishment of the colony. It will explore the recorded facts about the first and second fleet, governing the colony, trade, Gold and the establishment of Government.

PDHPE

This term the theory component of PDHPE will focus on the area of Interpersonal Relationships. We will explore methods of communication, confidence, bullying, respect, friends, peer pressure and safe places. The physical aspect of PDHPE will involve all the fundamental movement skills, daily exercise and team games and dance on Fridays.

Creative Arts-music, dance, drama visual art

This year Creative Arts will be taught collectively every second Thursday and Friday by Mrs Underwood. This term the visual arts focus is on photography and landscapes. The music, dance and drama focus will be covered when the children travel to a country and explore their culture, music, dance, drama, art forms and famous artists.

Homework

Homework is kept in the blue bags. For Years 1-6 each child is required to read a reading card. It is expected that each child answers the 5 or 6 comprehension questions on the card. If your child can and is willing to answer more questions on the card they can. Each child is to write their spelling words in their spelling book each night. Kindergarten children are to read their alphabet reader book eg s, a, t, i, p, n, read their story reader and look at their alphabet flash book (blue exercise book). Ensure homework bags come into school each day.

Library

Library day is each Wednesday. Children will be able to borrow books each week. Please ensure library books are returned in the same state as they are borrowed.

Student Absence

If your child is absent from school you must ensure the office is notified by phone or email on the day of the absence before 9:00am. It is very important that we have a reason for the child absence. It is a requirement for all NSW Public Schools to document student absence and attendance.

Tulloona P and C Meeting

Agenda Items

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Please submit this agenda at least the day prior to the meeting