



# TULLAMORE CENTRAL WEEKLY

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Mrs Donna-lee Horsburgh

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Mrs Melissa Alvey

**Treasurer:**  
Mrs Cindy Larkings

*Tullamore Central School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning School. At Tullamore Central School we are:*

RESPECTFUL  
RESPONSIBLE  
COOPERATIVE  
HONEST



## OUR SCHOOL IS AN ALLERGY AWARE COMMUNITY

### FABULOUS AWARD WINNERS FOR LAST WEEK



### OUR PRIMARY ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS – THANKS 5/6 FOR HOSTING



TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH- TERM 1: WEEK 6, 2015

## COMING EVENTS

2015

### Term 1

#### Week 6

<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Central Schools Swimming Peak Hill
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	4T's Band day at Tottenham SRC Pool Party – after school

#### Week 7

<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Staff Development Evening
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	“MUFTI DAY – My dream job when I grow up” University Road Show Yr 11
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Science and Engineering Challenge Dubbo – Year 5/6

#### Week 8

<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	St. Patrick's Day
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	4T's Gala Day - Trangie

#### Week 9

<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Healthy Harold! Life Education Van
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#### Week 10

<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Year 7 Vaccinations
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	Cross Country, Market Day Final Day Term 1
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	Irish Festival commences!!

### Term 2

#### Week 1

<b>19<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Gallipoli Schools Tour
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Staff Development day
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Students return Term 2

#### Week 2

<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Athletics Carnival
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#### Week 3

<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Secondary Adolescent Mental Health Day P&C Meeting 7:00 at the Bowling Club
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#### Week 4

<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	125 Year celebrations meeting
<b>12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	NAPLAN (Years 3,5,7,9)

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Principal's Report

#### *Staffing 2015*

Last week our student numbers were finalised for 2015 and we are very pleased that our increased Primary enrolments mean we are able to run our 3<sup>rd</sup> Primary class for 2015, fully staffed and funded by the Department. This frees up considerable financial and staffing resources to be able to be used in other areas. We have also had an increase in our Secondary enrolments which is beneficial to our overall staffing and funding. I would like to thank everyone who sends their children to our school, as well as all of our students from K-12 and our adult classes, when it comes to enrolments and staffing it really is a case of “the more the merrier”.

#### *School planning update*

At last night's P&C meeting the collated results of our surveys were presented. There will also be further consultation at our staff development evening next Tuesday. There are certainly many excellent ideas on the table. Priorities will be school grounds upgrades, technology, staff professional learning and various other targeted areas. Over coming weeks our 2015-17 plan will take shape and we can really start to make progress on these priorities. The holdup has been waiting for our final staffing as described above, which has a huge impact on resources and staff available for other areas.

#### *My Dream Job when I grow up*

Don't forget that next Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March is a MUFTI Day, the theme being ‘My dream job when I grow up’. A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated; it will go toward an exciting SRC fundraising initiative (further details to come!)

#### *Pool Party !!!!*

Don't forget the SRC Pool Party on Thursday from 4:00-6:00pm. There will be games and activities both in the water and on the grass. Sausage sandwiches (\$2) and steak

sandwiches (\$5) will be available. Students aged 9 years and under must be accompanied by a parent to attend the event.



### ***Anyone for tennis ?***

Community members wishing to use the school tennis courts outside of school hours are welcome. There is a user agreement which needs to be signed with some very basic terms and conditions. Please come and see the Principal if you are interested in this.

### ***Voluntary Contributions***

At last night's P&C meeting it was determined that there would be no increase in school voluntary contributions for 2015. A separate letter will go home re this in due course.

### ***Thanks Jenny Day***

A huge thank you must go to Jenny Day who very kindly donated \$100 to the Gallipoli Tour group. This money will go toward a piece of yet to be determined memorabilia that will be displayed at the school for eternity.

### ***Congratulations!***

Congratulations to Heather who welcomes a grandson to her family – Rowan James Andrew was born in Dubbo on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>. Rowan is the son of Paul and Ashlea and the little brother of Milla.



### ***Winners are Grinners***

Well done to all our award winners for last week.

***BRATS awards*** – Hayden Bor, Clyde Carey, Ava Curr, Angus Porter, Aimie Walker, Tiahna Stevenson, Lily Aveyard, Sasha Karaitiana, Angel Clifton

***PBL awards*** - 'Working Cooperatively in group activities' – Riley Horsburgh, Harrison Budd, Samantha Edwards

***Principal's award*** – Identification of 1973 photo – McLean family (although Mrs Bolam was the teacher in the photo!!)

### ***Quote of the Week***



Peter Nichols  
Principal  
Tullamore Central School

## **125 YEARS OF EDUCATION IN TULLAMORE**

The next meeting of the 125 years of education in Tullamore celebrations will be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May from 6:00pm at the Tullamore Bowling Club.

## **P&C NEWS**

Our Annual General Meeting was held last night and the 2015 executive committee are:

**President:** PJ Edwards

**Vice Presidents:** Di Darcy and Glen Walker

**Secretary:** Mel Alvey

**Treasurer:** Cindy Larkings

**Catering Coordinator:** Nadine Mortimer

Welcome to our new committee members and thank you to those continuing on in their roles, it is greatly appreciated that you volunteer your time to support our P&C.

Thanks to Jenny Harvey and Heather Jones for helping to sell tickets at the joker draw for the month of February. Our next turn will be in September.

The P&C has quite a few catering opportunities arising in the next month and we are always looking for volunteers to help out.  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March – State election catering at Tullamore Central School (morning tea and barbeque lunch).

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Irish festival (sandwiches, cakes/slices and bbq)

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Terri and Scotty Paul's clearing sale (barbeque, cakes/slices, tea/coffee/drinks)

If you are available and willing to help out with these events in any way then please contact Nadine Mortimer or Mel Alvey.

Next meeting will be Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7:00pm at the Tullamore Bowling Club, all apologies to Mel Alvey on 6892 5562 or jmalvey@bigpond.com

Mel Alvey  
P&C secretary

## PRIMARY PIECES

***The 2015 Premier's Reading Challenge starts now. Get reading!***

Personal Reading Logs will be given out this week to all Primary students and those in Secondary who wish to participate this year. Follow the instructions on the back of the form. PRC number is in the back of library books.



Enter all books you have read as there are quite a few books in the library that have not been labelled as PRC as yet, especially newer books. Look at the online reading lists and when at school check out Tullamore Web Library at lunchtimes.

### Library Links

It is great to see all primary students borrowing for the classroom and an increase in those borrowing for home.

Borrowing times:

Kinder – year 1: Monday afternoon

Years 2/3/4: Thursday afternoon

Years 5/6: Thursday afternoon

The library is open at lunchtime on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and all children are welcome to borrow then if necessary.

### K/1 News

#### ***Homework reminder***

Yr 1 - Purple homework folders with readers, maths and spelling homework are sent home on Monday and should be returned on Friday to be marked.

K - purple folders returned each day.

Donna-lee Horsburgh

K/1 Class Teacher

#### ***Year 2/3/4 Information***

#### ***Home Reading***

Please ensure your child reads for at least ten minutes each night to someone older and that their reading log gets filled out also. Reading each night will really benefit your child.



### Art shirts

Our class is short on art shirts, so if you have any old work shirts that could be used, please send them in!

### Irish Festival Art

This year our class has to decorate a leprechaun using recycled materials. Could you please send in any material scraps, magazines, ribbons etc. that could be used for this project?

### **Primary Assembly**

Year 2/3/4 will be hosting the primary assembly next Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March.

Mitchell Flavel and Lauren Gaiter  
Year 2/3/4 Class Teachers

### **Year 5/6**

Just a reminder that students are to complete their Mathematics and Spelling homework using Edmodo and Mathletics. If they do not have access to the internet students may write out their words and 8 times tables in their homework books and take a Maths sheet home. Maths sheets will only be given if the previous one is handed in.



Students have also been given a Science assignment this week. It is due back in on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> of March. If students have any problems with this please see us at school.

This year we will be going to Canberra for our class excursion. As a fundraiser for this we will be running an Easter Raffle. We are asking that each student bring in an item that we can add to our raffle prizes. The more prizes the better. All money raised will go towards reducing the cost of our excursion. Tickets will be handed out once we have received the prizes. Thanks for your support.

Please remember to return your Science and Engineering Challenge notes so travel arrangements can be. The challenge is on next Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March in Dubbo.

Have a great week☺

Carmel Laing and Belinda Lindsay

## **SECONDARY NEWS**

### **Access Camp 2015**

Students in Year 11 returned from Access Camp on Friday. Students had a fantastic time both meeting their course coordinators face to face and the other students in their cohorts. Morgan, Kim, Hannah and Grace are to be

congratulated on their behaviour and application in their scheduled lessons.

### **Chewing Gum**

There has been an increase in the number of students consuming chewing gum in the secondary, who have not been responsible with its disposal, which has resulted in some students and staff stepping in and touching gum that has been left lying around.

Due to the unhygienic way in which used gum is being left in and around our facilities, students are banned from having gum, unless there is a medical reason for this (such as the wearing of braces) and the student has provided a medical note from their parent or guardian to this effect.

Our cleaners work very hard to maintain a clean school environment and I know both staff and other students appreciate this, however our cleaners do not have the time in their schedule of cleaning to be scraping gum from the undersides of desks and chairs, and from outdoor eating area tables or from the gaps in a wall! If students are caught with gum they will be asked to place it in the bin. Repeat offenders will receive detentions!

### **Mobile Phones**

There have been a number of students who have been using their phones inappropriately at school. A reminder to students that our school policy is that unless the phone is being used as part of a learning activity, that it is to remain on silent and be placed in the student's bag.

Students are advised not to keep their phones in their pockets especially in PE and Sport lessons where the phone could be damaged. Students will receive warnings as per our discipline flow chart at the school, however repeat offenders will have their parent's contacted regarding this.

Parents are also asked to avoid disrupting students learning by not texting their child during the day. If you have an urgent message

that you need to convey to your child, please phone the front office and the message will be delivered to your child in a timely fashion.

Have a great week!

Miss Natasha Shankelton  
Head Teacher Secondary Studies

## **SPORT**

### ***Upcoming Events***

#### ***Primary***

Western Tennis Trials on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at Bathurst

Western Swimming on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at Dubbo

District Cricket/Softball Gala Day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March at Peak Hill

Western Cricket Trials on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at Dubbo

Western Rugby Trials on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March at Dubbo

PSSA State Swimming on 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> March at Homebush

Western League Trials on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March at Dubbo

#### ***Secondary***

Western Swimming on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at Dubbo

4Ts Gala Day on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at Trangie

Western Rugby Trials on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at Orange

Western League Trials on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March at Narromine

CHS State Swimming on 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> March at Homebush

Please see Miss Richards for more information regarding any of these dates. If you are interested in attending Western Region trials for a specific sport please contact me directly. A calendar of these events is linked below: <http://www.sports.det.nsw.edu.au/western/calendar/index.htm>

## **AG TALK**

This term Year 9/10 agriculture are studying vegetable production. We are currently investigating what soil types found around the school are the best for growing vegetables. We compared these to a commercial potting mix. The pictures show the students noting the different components in soil types and following that, holding their potted spinach plants.

We will keep you posted on the results.



Graham Quade  
Year 9/10 Ag Teacher

### ***Year 9/10 Mathematics***

1. Calculators are required for all lessons and all students need to have one of their own. I have limited spares and often we do



not have enough. The Casio calculator that students must use is available for purchase at the office at a competitive price of \$20. Please ensure that your child purchases one this week or speak to myself if there is a problem.

2. Maths Homework review sheets are handed out on Monday, to be handed in the following Monday. Thank you to those who hand them in as, while marking these, I have been able to find maths concepts that require revision.

Janette McCosker

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Lessons for PBL continue to take place on Tuesdays, focussing on classroom and playground expectations. This week's lesson is 'Respecting others right to learn'. This year students earn blue Tully Bucks to spend at our end of term Market Day. If any family or business has saleable items they wish to donate to our Market Day Shop they would be gratefully received and can be left at the office.



### BOOK CLUB

Book club catalogues were handed out to students last week. If you wish to place an order please return the completed order form along with full payment to the school office by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

### NEWSLETTER 2015

Newsletters for 2015 can be forwarded free of charge to an email address. If community members wish to receive a paper copy by mail the cost is \$20.00 for the year. Please advise the school office if you wish to receive the school newsletter by either method. Payment of the \$20.00 by community members can be made at the school office. If you currently receive a newsletter and do not wish to receive one in 2015 please advise the office.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### NSW FARMER'S MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Tullamore Branch of the NSW Farmer's will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at the Tullamore Bowling Club, commencing at 7:30p.m. The Agenda will include discussion on motions for the 2015 Annual Conference.

For further information contact Phil McCosker on 6892 5138.

### TULLAMORE AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB (TASC)

Well done to our nine members who represented TASC at the Tottenham carnival over the weekend. You all swam remarkably well in the hot conditions and came away with some top 3 results and new PB's. Well done on your sportsmanship and most kids went in every single race that they could. A highlight of the day was the mixed 8 years and under relay at the end of the day. The Tullamore team swam so fast and was unlucky to miss out on a placing by only 1 second!

#### *Best results*

Chloe Budd – 3rd 6yrs girls 25m freestyle, 3rd 6yrs girls 25m breaststroke

Alanah Kidman – 3rd 7yrs girls 25m backstroke

Kaylia Alvey – 2nd 7yrs girls 25m breaststroke

Sophie Laing – 3rd 7yrs girls 25m butterfly, 3rd 7yrs girls 25m breaststroke

Harrison Budd – 3rd 8yrs boys 33m freestyle, 3rd 8yrs boys 33m backstroke

Shanae Alvey – 4th 9yrs girls 33m breaststroke

Lily Aveyard – 10th 10yrs girls 66m butterfly

Charlie Harvey – 3rd 11yrs boys 66m freestyle, 3rd 11yrs boys 66m breaststroke

Josh Heywood – 3rd 12yrs boys 66m freestyle, 3rd 12yrs boys 66m butterfly, 3rd 12yrs boys 66m breaststroke, 3rd 12yrs boys 66m backstroke Thank you to all the Tullamore

ASC families and members who turn up by 4:00pm and are ready to swim each week. This allows our time trials to run smoothly and on time. Thanks also to those members and their families who notify Mel when their child will be absent from meets so we can marshal races accordingly. Mel can be contacted on 6892 5562 or jmalvey@bigpond.com

Training sessions will run this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March with Tracey Edwards and this will be the final training session of the season, thanks to those members and families who have attended.

We have a diminishing amount of parent volunteers available at our time trials of late. We need as many volunteers as we can get to time keep, record times, start and marshal the races. It would be appreciated if all members could be accompanied by an adult please.

At our championship meet that will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March we will need an increased number of volunteers as children swim for records and we need two timekeepers on each lane. Thank you in advance for your help.

As presentation day is quickly coming around we need the perpetual trophy winners from last year to now return the large trophies to Mel Alvey asap so they can be delivered to the jewellers for cleaning and in preparation for engraving please.

TASC is currently having their turn at selling joker draw tickets at the Tullamore Hotel every Thursday night for the month of March. Each week we require two volunteers to sell tickets between 6:00-9:00pm. There are 5 meat trays and 2 fruit and vegie boxes up for grabs as well as the opportunity to pick the joker and win \$1900.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March after time trials conclude.

Mel Alvey  
TASC race secretary

## **TULLAMORE SWIMMING POOL**

***Change in Opening Hours for Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March.*** The pool will be open from **9:00am – 12:00pm** for this day only. Closing time **NOT** 2:00pm as previously advertised.

## **TRUNDLE JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE NEXT MEETING NOTICE**

Next Trundle Junior Rugby League Meeting is 18<sup>th</sup> March at Berryman Oval 5:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

## **TRUNDLE JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE NEWS! 2015**

Trundle Junior Rugby League will not be fielding any football sides this year.

HOWEVER, In the interest of developing/keeping league skills up to date, we are going to start a league tag comp which will provide children with ball skills, co-ordination skills, team sport skills and fitness. We are holding a **COME AND TRY SESSION!**

League Tag - Come n Try session. Skills and Drills run by Alex Prout Country Rugby league development officer.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 5:00pm to 6:00pm and again on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at Berryman Oval Trundle.**

Put the dates in your diaries and its open for boys and girls, so come along and have a try.

TJRL committee.