



# TULLAMORE CENTRAL WEEKLY

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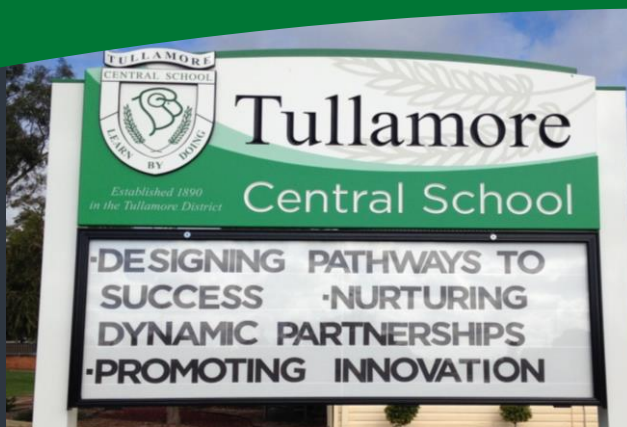
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*Tullamore Central School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning School. At Tullamore Central School we are:*

RESPECTFUL  
RESPONSIBLE  
COOPERATIVE  
HONEST



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## OUR SCHOOL IS AN ALLERGY AWARE COMMUNITY

### THANK YOU MR LEN GUY FOR YOUR TIME AND WISDOM



### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS



TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017 - TERM 1: WEEK 10 2017

## COMING EVENTS 2017

### TERM 1

2017

#### MARCH

- 29 Science and Engineering Challenge (Secondary)
- 29 Primary assembly 2:30 (K-2 hosting)
- 30 Science and Engineering challenge (Year 5/6)
- 30 Preliminary HSC Maths Study Day at Trundle
- 31 Rugby League 6's- Parkes

#### APRIL

- 3 P&C Meeting at the Club 7:00pm
- 5 SRC Games night
- 6 Grandfriends Day
- 7 Cross Country, Market Day, Final day term 1
- 24 School Development Day
- 25 ANZAC Public holiday
- 26 Students return term 2

#### MAY

- 2 Parent/Teacher afternoon
- 4 Primary Industries "Tractor Day" Trangie
- 5 Athletics Carnival
- 9-11 NAPLAN testing
- 25 Under 16's Touch Football Dubbo
- 26 District Cross Country Yeoval
- 26 Opens Touch Football Dubbo
- 29 Year 7-10 Exam week
- 29 HSC VET work placement week

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### *NAPLAN and the HSC – relax!*

There is considerable anxiety amongst many parents, students and teachers across NSW in relation to NAPLAN testing and its potential impact on HSC attainment for students currently in Year 9, due to changes announced by the NSW Government over past months. I understand this anxiety, especially considering some of the over dramatic media reporting, however would offer some points for clarification:

- Students sitting the HSC in 2020 (current Year 9) will need to meet a minimum standard in an on-line literacy and numeracy test (not NAPLAN) which will be available to sit twice a year from 2018.
- Once students have met the required standard they do not ever need to sit this test again.
- Students also have up to 5 years from the commencement of their first HSC course to complete the on-line test if required.
- Gaining a Band 8 "Proficient" (much higher than the minimum standard) in NAPLAN in 2017 means a student will be exempted from sitting these on-line tests in the future.
- No student will "fail" or be ineligible for the HSC based on their Year 9 NAPLAN result.

The best way to look at NAPLAN for current and future year 9 students is simply as an opportunity to avoid the online tests in coming years. It should be not seen as a barrier or a hurdle to jump at this early stage. Our school will provide significant support as required to students who need it over coming years to support their successful completion of the on-line testing.

Students on Life-skills programs of study or with disabilities will not be required to sit the on-line literacy and numeracy tests and will still qualify for a HSC. Other students who complete Year 12 and meet HSC and VET course requirements but do not pass the online literacy and numeracy tests will still receive school credentials – Example: Record of School Achievement (ROSA) and/or VET qualifications.

### TULLAMORE CENTRAL SCHOOL STAFF and STUDENTS INVITE

**Grandparents, Grandfriends and the Tullamore Community** to our Annual **Grandfriends Assembly and Morning Tea.**  
10:15am Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April



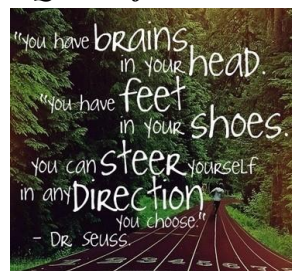


## TERM 1 2017 – WEEK 10

### *Principal's Heroes of the Week*

Respectful, Responsible, Cooperative and Honest at all times : Evie Aveyard, Imogen Williams, Dougal Horsburgh; Working well at all times : Sarah Perks

### *Quote of the Week*



Peter Nichols  
Principal



## SRC Games Night!

**Theme:** Celebrities and sporting heroes.

**Dinner:** Pizza, fried rice and a drink.



**Games:** Board games including; pie face, monopoly, twister, jenga, celebrity heads, cards and Pictionary. No electronic devices.

**Cost:** \$5.00 per student

**Date:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April

**Time:** 4:30pm to 6:30pm

Included with this newsletter are further relevant documents and I have emailed links relating to the changes with the electronic copy of the newsletter.

If you take one message from all this, it is relax, do your very best in NAPLAN but do not over hype it to be more important than what its original purpose was – a useful but fairly blunt diagnostic tool designed to assist teachers and schools.

### *Shoes for Planet Earth*

The collection box will be outside the office until the end of term. A huge thank you to those who have already donated, much appreciated. Reminder shoes need to be clean, tied together, with no holes and good soles. They will all end up being worn by people who really need them.  
[www.shoesforplanetearth.com](http://www.shoesforplanetearth.com)



*Thank you shoe models!*

### *Grand friends Day*

Don't forget our Grand friends Day on Thursday April 6. We would love to see you there. This will commence with an assembly at 10am, morning tea in the Library at 11 and then Open classrooms from 1130-1pm. Visitors are welcome to pop in to our classrooms and have a look at lessons in action.

### *Parent / Teacher afternoon*

We have scheduled our parent / teacher afternoon for Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May (week 2, term 2). Please contact Heather in the office to make an appointment. Times are available between 3:30 and 5pm.

## AWARDS

**Congratulations to all our award winners**  
**Primary and Secondary Work Ethic Awards**

**K/1/2 Samuel Mortimer**

**3/4 Jack Bye**

**5/6 Lisa Edwards**

**7/8 Charlotte Darcy**

**9/10 Paris Curr**

**11/12 Dominic Lopez**

**Secondary Science:**

**Angus Porter, Charlotte Darcy,  
Bailee-Jane Merriman, Jye Langley,  
Shanae Alvey, William McLean,  
William Bolam**

## PRIMARY PIECES

### **CWA Public Speaking Competition**

Students from Years 3/4 and Years 5/6 have the opportunity to plan and present a two-minute speech in front of their peers. Two students from each class will be selected to represent Tullamore Central School at the Oxley Public Speaking Competition in Term 2. We will ask students to present their speeches on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April (Week 11).



Year 3/4 topics:

1. It was an accident.
2. Over the fence.
3. My favourite shoes.

Year 5/6 topics:

1. Pull up your socks.
2. My world.
3. If I were 5 years older.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Laing through the office 6892 5005.

### **Assembly**

Host Class: K12

Chairpersons: Evie Aveyard & Siara Horsburgh

2:30pm Wednesday 29th March

We'd love to see you there!

### **K/1/2 News**

Reminder! Black and white clothes for assembly item tomorrow.

### **Homework**

K - please read to or with your child any books borrowed from the library. Also practise sounds each night.

Year 1 - readers, maths unit and spelling list.

Activities as per spelling book.

Year 2 - readers, maths unit and spelling list. Write list out each night and 3 activities from the Spelling menu in front of the homework book.

Please return readers Wednesday and Friday, all homework due Friday.

Life is a journey,  
with problems  
to solve,  
lessons to learn,  
but most of all,  
experiences to  
enjoy.

Have a superb week.

Donna-lee Horsburgh

K/1/2 Teacher

### **Year 3/4 News**

Spelling and maths homework was sent home on Monday. Students are to complete Unit 6 of maths homework and their spelling list and to return it on Friday.

### **Mr Guy's Visit**

Last Wednesday our class was lucky enough to receive a visit from Mr Guy. He spoke to the class about how his family came to Australia from China and about his experiences of living in China for 5 years. We were all very intrigued with Mr Guy's story and grateful for his time.

Thank you Mr Guy.

### **Time is of the Essence**

Last week the class engaged in some hands on learning to help understand the concept of telling the time.



Mitchell Flavel

3/4 Teacher

### **Year 5/6 News**

This week's homework:

- LSCWC
- Mathletics: Division
- 8 times tables

Reminder that we are going to the Science and Engineering Challenge in Dubbo on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure all notes are handed in to the office.

Thank you, have a wonderful week!

Breanna Horsburgh and Carmel Laing

**Combined Scripture Service**

**When:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April

**Time:** 11.30 am

All Welcome

**SECONDARY NEWS**

Welcome to week 10!

**Secondary Excursion**



Due date for the new permission note and deposit (for those that did not pay a deposit for the Tasmania Excursion) is now due by the 29<sup>th</sup> March which is THIS

WEDNESDAY. This is the FINAL date as we will need to book in student numbers at attractions that we are visiting on the Kiama Excursion.

**Irish Festival Drink Stall Fundraiser**

We have been given an opportunity to run the drink stall at the upcoming Irish Festival. This will be one of the major fundraising activities for the secondary excursion. We are also looking for cheap bottles of water and soft drinks.



If secondary parents are travelling away to a larger centre and they happen to come across drinks and water on special it would be really appreciated if they could pick up some of these cheap drinks. Please keep your docket and write your name on them and hand them in to Miss Shankelton, who will arrange reimbursement from the takings at the festival.



If students could please also advise Miss Shankelton by Wednesday this week if they would be available to help man the drink stall on the Saturday of the festival so that they can be placed on a roster.

Thank you so far to Viv Bolam, Carroll Bolam, Julie Langley, Jenny McLean, Nadine Mortimer and John McAneney for their supply of drinks for the stall.

**Practical Subjects**

Students are reminded of the footwear requirements for Science, Agriculture, Industrial Technology and VET Metals and Construction. Students MUST have enclosed leather shoes or boots on to enter practical spaces. Students in agriculture will also need a hat and a long sleeved shirt (to save their white shirts from getting stained and for sun protection). For PE students are required to have supportive sports shoes (no slip ons or Volleys).

Have a great week!

Natasha Shankelton

Head Teacher Secondary Studies

**SPORT**

**SPORTS PERSONS OF THE WEEK**

**Secondary: Mackenzie Horsburgh, Shanae Alvey**  
**Primary: Ellie Williams, Kaylia Alvey, Isabella Horsburgh**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**PRIMARY**

6-a-side League Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March Parkes

School Cross Country Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April POLA Park

School Athletics Carnival Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
POLA Park

Richardson/Peachey League Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May  
Condobolin

District Cross Country Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May Yeoval

Western Cross Country Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June  
Guerie

District Soccer Gala Day Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June Trangie

Sand Green Golf Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Trundle

**SECONDARY**

School Cross Country Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April POLA Park

School Athletics Carnival Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
POLA Park

U16 CS Touch Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May Dubbo

Opens CS Touch Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May Dubbo

U16s CS League 7s Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June Dubbo

Western Cross Country Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June  
Guerie

U14s + Opens CS League 7s Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June  
Dubbo

U16s CS Netball Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June Dubbo

Sand Green Golf Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Trundle

### ***Secondary Athletics***

We have continued to have a great turnout for the athletics program this term. I encourage as many students as possible to come along and give it a go. The program focuses on developing the core skills of running, jumping and throwing. There is also a focus on fitness, strength and power training so it can be adapted for any sport. I will continue to run on Monday's from 3:15 – 4:00pm.

### ***League 6s Gala Day***

This Friday it will be just primary heading off to the league 6s day as there was not enough interest from other schools in the secondary division. This means that on Friday all of the primary students who required transport will be departing school at 7:30am and will be travelling to Pioneer Oval at Parkes on the Tully Bus. The finish time is unknown but we will endeavour to return in time for buses. If this is not the case, we will contact parents to inform them of the return time. **Please ensure all players have a mouth guard.** Let me know sooner rather than later if you are having trouble accessing one.

### ***School Cross Country***

This year we will be having our school cross country on Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> of April. This will be held in the morning at Pola Park. We will start the day here and buses will be arranged to drop students off. All students who participate will receive an ice block and certificate.



## **TERM 1 2017 – WEEK 10**

9:00am: Welcome and roll mark

9:15am: **4000 metre Race**

15 Years Boys and Girls

16 Years Boys and Girls

17 Years + Boys and Girls

9:30am: **1000 metre Race**

Kinder/ Year 1/Year 2 (5-7Years old)

9:45am: **3000 metre Race**

11 Years Boys and Girls

12 years Boys and Girls

12 / 13 / 14 Years Boys and Girls Sec

10:00am: **2000 metre Race**

8 Years Boys and Girls

9 Years Boys and Girls

10 Years Boys and Girls

10:30am: Presentations

10:45am: Students walk from Pola Park back to school via Hinkler Street.

All students are encouraged to come dressed in their house colours of red for Macquarie and yellow for Lachlan. In lieu of market afternoon we have decided to run a house challenge so students are able to save up their Tully Bucks for a greater event in Term 2. This house challenge will have all sorts of fun activities including tug-of-war, novelty relays and an obstacle course. I look forward to seeing all your great efforts next Friday ☺

## **THANK YOU**

A big thank you goes out to the P&C for the purchase of our new Festool Domino Joiner. This tool is the latest of technologies for joining timber together. The students and I are excited to utilise this tool in the many applications within the course projects.

Chris Nabb  
TAS Teacher





# LIBRARY NEWS

The Library is now open at lunchtimes every day of the school week.

It has been wonderful to see so many students coming to the Library during lunch to use the computers, play board games, cars, colour in and read quietly.

Our G Rated movies will start again very soon as we are getting a new Edu touch interactive screen.

## Things to Remember☺

- The 2017 Premier's Reading Challenge has started. Students who would like to participate and haven't yet collected a Reading Log from the Library are encouraged to do so & start recording the books they read. Alternatively, books can be recorded online by logging on to the Student Portal and locating the Premier's Reading Challenge.
- There are a number of Overdue library borrowings – please ensure that library books are returned on a regular basis so further books can be borrowed.
- All students need to please bring a bag when borrowing. This helps to keep the books protected.
- We have a selection of cloth Library bags available for \$3.00. They can be purchased from the Library and sales from these bags will go towards buying new books.



Have a lovely week☺

Belinda Lindsay and Julie Porter

## AG IN ACTION

### *Cattle Show Team Session*

Due to the science and Engineering Challenge being held on Wednesday there will be no show cattle team practice. We will re-commence Cattle Show Team sessions during sport from Week 1 term 2.

We will start off again in term 2 with the roster that was distributed to students earlier this term. We will

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also be adding in a Thursday afternoon after school session, which will be washing, grooming and general preparation of our cattle. This session will run from 3:30pm – 5:00pm. This will commence in Week 2 of term 2.

### *Agriculture Department – Seeking donations*

We are seeking donations of the following:

- Sheets of tin for building shelters (recycled is fine)
- Timber for building shelters (recycled is fine)
- Bales of pasture, oaten or second grade lucerne hay suitable for cattle and sheep
- Oats for sheep feed (for the wether challenge sheep)
- 1000L cage pods – preferably not used for chemical as they will be used for our aquaponics units later in the year

If you can assist at all it is greatly appreciated by our students as it allows us to continue to provide our agriculture program for students.

### *Agriculture Farm Working Bee*

Towards the end of term 2, once the weather cools off and sowing is finished, we are looking to have an agriculture plot working bee to complete some of the jobs that needs more than a few hands to complete. Some of the projects that we have planned are:

- Installing some new troughs into paddocks 1 and 2 of the ag farm
- Erecting shade shelters in paddocks 1 and 2 of the ag farm
- Erecting the new broiler pen for meat bird production

If parents / students or community members are able to help us out if they could please let Miss Shankelton know preferred dates and availability and we will try to settle on a date that suits the majority.

Miss Shankelton  
Agriculture Teacher

## SRC GAMES NIGHT Permission Note

Please sign and return by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

My child/children \_\_\_\_\_ will be attending the SRC Games Night.

- ☐ Pizza  
☐ Fried Rice  
☐ Pizza and Fried Rice

I have enclosed \$5.00 per student to cover the cost of the dinner.

Signed:-----

Date:-----

More Community News via email.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENTS

### The Andy Jones Show

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April – 2:00pm to 3:00pm - for Families!

Andy Jones is a best selling children's author, entertainer, musician, song writer and comedian. A mix of music, poetry, rhyme and comedy this show will make the whole family laugh.

*No bookings required. Children to be accompanied by an adult.*

### aaarrrrgh, Pesky Pirates

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April and 19<sup>th</sup> April – 10:30am to 12pm - Ages 5 -10 \*

Find out about the adventurous world of pirates. Follow a treasure map to find the booty. Decorate your own treasure box.

### Make a Mini Movie!

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April and 20<sup>th</sup> April – 10:30am to 12pm - Ages 8 years + \*

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Ever wanted to make your own short movie with clay figures? Let out your creative side by making amazing Claymation characters, set up a movie set then film a Claymation stop motion animated movie!

\* Limited places. Children must be in school. Bookings essential and commence 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Cost \$2 payable at time of booking. For further information contact 6861 2309

### Shellie Buckle Manager

Cultural, Education and Library Services | Parkes Shire Library



It is with a heavy heart that I must say farewell to all my loyal customers and supporters as I have to close Porter's Store. Thank you to Dahna, Bonnie,

Kath and Sherryn for your support and hard work ethics. Without you all, Porters Store would not have been the tremendous success it was.

Thank you to Garry and Tracey for your support over the past week and I wish you all the very best as Casho's begins a new chapter in their adventure. Xxx Leanne Porter



Casho's would like to wish Leanne Porter all the best as she embarks on her next adventure. We would also like to take this chance to express our gratitude on the wondrous opportunity she has given us in her stead. We could never repay her graciousness and will do everything in our power to continue the legacy that she began 14 months ago. Thank you Leanne for all you have done for both us and Tullamore as a whole and we hope your next adventure is just as awesome as Porter's Store was.



# SAVE THE DATE

KOORINGLE FUNDRAISERS  
Garden Day-  
Devonshire Tea  
10 Hinkler St Tullamore



Lunch - Stalls -  
Afternoon tea -  
Lots More  
'Pine Park' Tullamore

**Saturday, 29th  
April**

More Information to Follow

# HSC MINIMUM STANDARD

ADVICE FOR PARENTS OF YEAR 9 STUDENTS 2017

March 2017

**In 2020, your child will need to meet a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to qualify for a Higher School Certificate (HSC).**



## PRACTICAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY SKILLS



The minimum standard will ensure that your child is ready for further education and training, employment and life after school.

The standard is set at Level 3 of the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF), a nationally agreed standard of functional literacy and numeracy.

It means students can do things like:

Find the time and date of a music concert on an online ticket website

Calculate the quantity of paint required to paint a room

Estimate distance, travel time and costs for a transport route

Take notes from a lecture or training session

Create a personal weekly budget in a spreadsheet

Write a job application letter

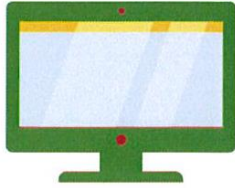
Measure quantities to follow a recipe

Follow safety instructions in an equipment manual

Enter data in a computer-based management system



## MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET THE STANDARD



Your child will show that they have met the standard by passing new online reading, writing and numeracy tests.

They will take the online tests at school. Your child can take the tests up to twice a year in:

- ✓ Year 10
- ✓ Year 11
- ✓ Year 12
- ✓ for up to five years after they start their first HSC course.

Students can take the tests from next year when they are in Year 10.

Visit the demonstration site to see sample test questions:

<https://hsliteracynumeracy.nesa.nsw.edu.au>

## YEAR 9 NAPLAN: A CHANCE TO PREQUALIFY FOR THE STANDARD

Your child can prequalify for the standard by achieving Band 8 or above in their Year 9 NAPLAN reading, writing and numeracy tests this year. This means that they won't have to take the online tests.

**It is important for you to know that not all students are expected to achieve Band 8 in their Year 9 NAPLAN tests this year.**

**Your child will not be stopped from getting the HSC on the basis of their Year 9 NAPLAN results.**

Your child's literacy and numeracy skills will continue to develop and it is expected that they will meet the standard either by the end of Year 10, Year 11 or Year 12.

Your child's school will provide support for them to meet the standard to get the HSC.

## MORE INFORMATION

Contact your school principal for more detailed information about the minimum standard, or visit the NESA website:

<http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au>



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# 2017 Green Art Competition

Theme: Recycled Irish Art



Open to all school student's K - 12.

Note: Can be completed at home or at school.



Prizes in each category:

1<sup>st</sup> \$20      2<sup>nd</sup> \$10      HC \$5



Categories:

**Kinder/1/2 - Recycled sheep/frogs**

**Year 3/4 - Recycling felt/paper to make a picture**

**Year 5/6 - Creating an Irish themed image using recycled materials**

**Year 7-12 - 'Tree of life'.** (Must have the colour green somewhere in the art piece)

- ♣ Student name, school and category to be marked clearly on **back of work**
- ♣ Entries must be left by no later than **MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL 2017** with the following:
  - ✦ Trundle: Entries to front office at Trundle Central School
  - ✦ St Patrick's: Entries to front office at St Patrick's Primary School
  - ✦ Tottenham: Entries to front office at Tottenham Central School
  - ✦ Tullamore: Entries to front office at Tullamore Central School
  - ✦ Other Entries: Posted to Mrs L. Budd 13 Haylock Street, Tullamore. NSW. 2874

Enquiries: Leanne Budd

Phone: 0415 868 598

Email: [leannebudd22@hotmail.com](mailto:leannebudd22@hotmail.com)

# TRUNDLE BOOMERS

## 2017 Season Launch

**Saturday 8th April—6pm**

**Trundle Services & Citizens Club**

**BBQ Dinner provided**

MEET PLAYERS &  
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### First Try Scorer Jersey Calcutta

1st Grade Jerseys 1-20 are auctioned to create a prize pool

100% of the money is allocated to the prize pool

*Prize pool is divided over 8 home games*

Example: \$6000 raised at auction >>> \$6000 divided by 8 home games

\$750 goes to the owner of the **first Trundle Boomers try scorer** at each **HOME** game!

\*example amount only

**Recovery Golf Sunday Morning**

**9 holes >> 10am Tee Off**

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