



Term 2, Week 6

The weekly newsletter of Tamworth Public School

2nd June, 2016

Dear Readers

Reconciliation Week Opening



Friday 27th was the start of Reconciliation Week, with Sorry Day remembered on the previous day. I was thrilled to accompany Mrs Jane Blanch and some of the choir to represent Tamworth schools as invitees of the Tamworth Regional Council. The students were well rehearsed and performed two songs, one with Aboriginal language as part, and did really well. The organisers were very pleased with our contribution. Well done to our kids and thanks to Jane for the great job she does with all of our choir students.

We are thrilled with the excellent contributions our Indigenous students make every day in our school and they are fortunate to have Stevie-Lee Sutherland work with them on special programs. We also have a new partnership with The Opportunity Hub, who will work with Year 5 & 6 Indigenous students in a number of areas. One of our own TPS parents, Pat Strong, is a key member of that team and we thank Mrs Wainwright and Pat for organising this new initiative.

Our Year 2 classes also had a wonderful day visiting Indigenous sites at the Botanical Gardens on Monday with local elder, Len Waters. Len has been an excellent resource to learn from. Co-ordinator and Assistant Principal of Stage 1, Mrs Jo Wilson, was thrilled with the efforts of staff and students as they complemented class work with this field trip.

Naidoc Week

Our annual recognition of Naidoc Week will be in Week 10 of this term, with an Open Day on Monday 27th June. Plans are already underway for

our big art show which is part of that. Besides a special assembly and morning tea, the wonderful art on display will be representative of work students have done throughout the year on Indigenous heritage and culture. We're sure it will be another excellent display of work within our school.

Chess Moves On!

Mrs Battle has had a keen group of students working with her in lunchtimes and a number are at a special chess competition day today. We also host a big day here later in the term. Well done to her and all the students representing in this excellent game.

Music and Dance

Students involved in various parts of our Music Tutoring Program will be putting on lunch time concerts on the remaining Wednesdays of term. The first of these will be Piano students, with audience members needing to be seated by 1pm for the show. We look forward to some of you attending as able.

Our various dance groups have also been preparing to perform for dance festival which will be held next term. This week they had some rehearsals filmed as part of the process. Lots of fun and excellence was evident and it should be a beautiful experience for all.

Safety and Security

There has been a number of variations to past procedures regarding safety and security and we are appreciative of the support the community has shown. Your adherence to the requirement of reporting to the front office during school hours has been excellent. Thank you. A reminder that there should be NO pedestrian use of the staff carpark and the bus gate, whether the gate is closed or open. Adult co-operation with this will ensure students are entering and exiting safely. We also anxiously await the outcome of our road safety submissions via Tamworth Regional Council with a number of proposals aimed at assisting our school zone safety.

We look forward to all community members co-operating and taking ownership of safety and security and thank all who are helping us to ensure the safety of our kids, staff and property.

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Year 4 Eco Warriors and New Plants To Come

With this Saturday being World Environment Day, it was fitting that Year 4 classes attended an Eco Day at the Peel High School 'Wetlands' on Tuesday. The day proved very popular and fun-filled for students and teachers alike as they went around the area attending a number of different information and activity sessions. Our co-ordinator, Mrs Wainwright, and staff were thrilled with the behaviour and efforts of our students.

Run by Peel High staff and students, Landcare and Tamworth Regional Council, the students took part in a range of science based activities linked to our environment.

It's great to have our environment being cared for by our young and thanks to a competition won last year by Joe Melville we will soon have \$1000 worth of plants to add to our playground. Peter from Heemskerks nursery has given advice about what would suit our school best and we look forward to their imminent arrival.

Reminders

Early Arrivals, Winter Arriving and Clothes Multiplying

Recently there has been a number of students arriving at school around 8am. Whilst we understand the demands on families, the teachers do not start duty until 8.30am. This is particularly concerning as the cold winter mornings have hit us already and we expect it to be worse soon.

Relatedly, there has been a huge number of jumpers, many without names, left around the grounds recently and they are now clogging various rooms. Please check winter uniform items for names and discuss your expectations about care for the items you provide.

Staff Contributions

Next week Mr Peter Brown will be representing the school as the squad Coach/Manager of the North West 11 Years League team in the State Carnival being held here in Tamworth. In addition, Mr Kevin Squires has been chosen as the State Convenor of this huge event, with over 300 young league players and their families converging on the city. We wish both staff members luck in a huge extra undertaking for them. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated teachers.

Thank you as always for your continued support of the school.

Barry Everingham
Relieving Principal

SMILIES DANCE

Kinder Smilies have been practicing hard for the Dance Festival next Term (August 11, 12 & 13)

This week we had to film our dance. A big thank you to Mrs Callaghan for helping us.



Kindergarten 2017

If you have a child commencing Kindergarten 2017 please complete an Application to Enrol available from the school office this will ensure that you receive information regarding our Come and Try days as well as our Orientation Programme.



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Tuesday 7th June - Kylie Galbraith

Wednesday 8th June - Jane Butters

**Thursday 9th June - Lou Brock
Toni Walters**

Friday 10th June - Helen Simpfendorfer

Lunch Centre News!!

Please note we do not do Salads, Hotdogs, Hamburgers or Chicken Burgers at Recess time.

When ordering Yogurt Sticks remember that we have a limit of 5 only per person.

A reminder that we require a separate bag for Hot & Cold items when ordering Lunches.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Matthew Barratt
Aleeci Francis
Isabella Hazelwood
Amelia Loseby
Louis Puckeridge

Will Bowman
Savanah Gibson
Shelley King
Waverly Lye
Brooke Roper

Shyloh Chambellant
Bronte Gillan
Louisa Link
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Max Rumble

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News from the office

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Payments can be sent in with your child to give to their teacher. Please ensure that when you are sending money with your child it is clearly labelled with your child's name, class, the amount enclosed and the reason for the payment, along with any relevant permission notes.

Alternatively you can also make payments at the school office by cash, cheque or EFTPOS or online through our school website.

If you are having difficulty navigating the website payment portal please do not hesitate to give me a call and I will step you through it. There is a number of options and it can be confusing the first time round.

Have a great week
Penny Westman
School Administrative
Manager



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Zone Cross Country

Monday saw a frosty start in Barraba but it soon thawed out to be beautiful sunny day for the Zone Cross Country Trials. Tamworth Public took a team of 30 students on the day with Mrs Burrows managing the runners. Congratulations to Oliver Sobel, Liam Griffiths, Simon Matthews, Adam Williams, Morgan English and Leo Berman who were all successful in making it through to the North West finals in Coolah on Friday 18th June. Great work to Adam Williams who was the 11 Years Boys Champion and Morgan English who was the 11 Year Girls Champion. Tamworth Public also won the 11 Year Boys and Girls most successful School.



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Girls Football KO

Last Thursday the TPS Girls Football Team took on Westdale in the first round of the state KO. In what can only be described as 'uncomfortable' conditions (being very wet, cold and windy) the girls triumphed over their opponents 9-1. Mim Barbara had an exceptional game scoring 5 of the goals, Morgan English scoring and Abby Bowden and Imogen Stoddart scoring a goal each. The team will now play on Thursday 16th against South Tamworth. If they win that game they will play the third round on the same day against the winner from Timbumburi and West Tamworth. Thanks to Mrs Klingsch for all her efforts with the team.

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Netball KO

Our KO girls played their second game this week against South Tamworth. The girls fought very hard but couldn't quite grab the win. I am so proud of their dedication to training and the fact they didn't give up game. Thank you to the girls for a great season and thank you to the parents for all the assistance with driving us to games.
Mrs Sheedy

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Boys Football State Carnival

This week Jonah Thompson and Max Waters are competing as part of the North West Team in the Boys Football State Carnival in Glenwood. It is great to see these boys reaching such an elite level and hope they are going well against the best from the state.



State AFL Carnival

Congratulations to Jack Dadd in receiving the award for the Hunter Teams sportsmanship and fairest player at last weeks State AFL Carnival.

11 Years Rugby league State Carnival

The 11 Years Rugby League State Carnival kicks off in Tamworth next Tuesday at Minor League. Mr Brown will be Managing the North West Team and we wish him and his team all the best.

While Tamworth Public did not have any students make the North West Team, Jack Buckman has been invited to play in the invitational team who will play the 11th placed in the state next Thursday.



PSSA TENNIS KNOCKOUT

The Tennis Team played Gunnedah South on Monday in Gunnedah in the 2nd round of the Victor Kelly Knockout. Cooper Butler, Max Girot, Matilda Berry and Taya Powell played exceptionally well against a very skilled and hard hitting Gunnedah team. After 4 matches both teams were tied, so it came down to the mixed games and Tamworth lost 6 – 4 and 7-5. So close!

Well done to Coop, Taya, Max and Matilda. Great tennis and fantastic sportsmanship.

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4.20 3/4BA St Nic's Rockets v TPS Magic

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5.10 5/6BB TPS Braves v Carinya

