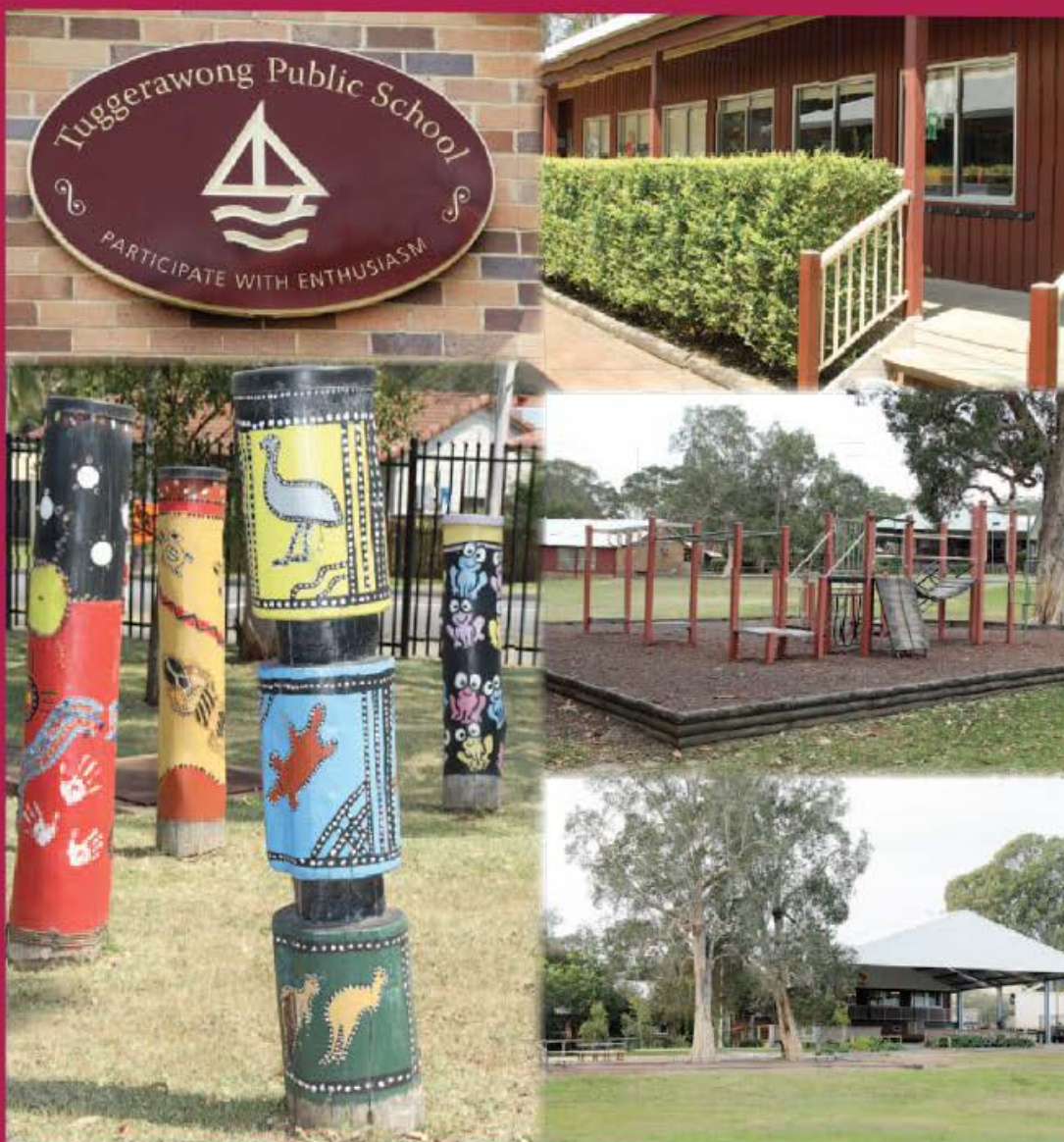




# TUGGERAWONG TATTLER



*Participate with Enthusiasm in a Positive and Caring Environment*

## TUGGERAWONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

**14 June 2016**

## **2016 REPORTS - AN EXPLANATION**

This term reports are being sent home for each student. Each year we have had to refine our reports to suit not only changes in curriculum, but also acting on feedback from staff and parents. Our reports must adhere to departmental guidelines in many respects.

One of the main focuses for our staff is to ensure consistency with our assessing and reporting. Our teachers have spent many sessions working together to analyse student work samples and evaluating the levels of achievement. Students are tracked on syllabus outcomes in order to identify where each child sits at this point in time for their grade expectations. These identify what the expected outcomes are for students by the end of this semester. Teachers can then determine the level of achievement for every student.

## OVERALL LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT

### *Kindergarten reports:*

With our Kindergarten reports, students will be identified in each area by either **Working towards/ Achieving/ Working beyond**. Working towards means that whilst your child is progressing, further support is needed to ensure they continue to progress. They have not yet reached the expected level of achievement at this point in time. **Achieving** means your child is working at the expected level at this point in time and is progressing at a rate which will ensure continued growth.

### *Year 1 - Year 6 reports:*

The Department of Education mandates that all student reports for grades 1-6 are to use a standard achievement rating scale. Below is our interpretation and how we will report to our families:

#### **Outstanding Achievement**

For a student to attain **A-(Outstanding)** they would have an extensive knowledge and understanding of the content and readily be able to apply this to other areas. They would be working on an individualised or adjusted learning program and be achieving well beyond stage level.

#### **High Achievement**

For a student to attain **(B)-High** they would have a **thorough** knowledge and understanding of content. The student would be working at and **achieving above grade level**.

#### **Sound Achievement**

Students achieving **(C)-Sound** are working at achieving at their appropriate grade level. It is the **expected** level of achievement according to the child's grade.

#### **Basic Achievement**

For a student to receive **(D)-Basic** they would have a basic knowledge of the content and be working at and **achieving below grade level**.

#### **Limited Achievement**

For a student to receive **(E)-Limited** they would have a very limited knowledge of content covered and be working at and achieving **well below grade level**, perhaps even at an earlier stage.

**Parents should note that a C grade is a good grade! It means that your child is working where they should be at this point in time.**

## **EFFORT**

All students will also receive an effort rating for each subject area. Effort reflects how well a student has tried, the persistence and determination to achieve at the best level of which they are capable. An outline of how our Effort and Learning Habits & Behaviour areas are determined is attached. Effort will be rated as:

OS - Outstanding   VG - Very Good   S - Satisfactory   I - Inconsistent (Needs Improving)

As well as identifying student achievements, we have added **Learning Goals (Comments)** for both English and Mathematics as well as a group box for our other KLA's. This will be to identify what your child is achieving and those areas of focus in Semester 2 for each student.

I trust that this has provided you with some explanation of what to expect when sharing reports with your children. Any parents wishing for further clarification are most welcome to contact me.

### **EDUCATION WEEK**

Save the date! Thursday 4th August at 9:15am will be our Education Week Assembly followed by an Open Classroom visit, finishing with a picnic lunch. More information and a promotional flyer will be provided early next term outlining the exciting activities we have planned.

### **Staffing News**

Our wonderful cleaner, Carol, has been part of our school family for the past 10 years. She has always gone above her duty of cleaning the school to truly become a valued member of our staff.

This Friday will be Carol's last day with us before she moves on to her next great adventure. We thank Carol very much for her contribution to our school and wish her the very best of luck in the future.

**David Ireland**  
**Principal**

## **AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

### **KS**

Firstly, I would like to say how proud I am of every single student that prepared and presented a speech. It was lovely to see the effort that went into them, but most of all that your children were able to stand up in front of the class and deliver them. Congratulations to Charli, Alexis and Mia who have made it to the next round.

I have been very impressed with the reading and writing that is happening in our class. Keep practising your child's sounds and sight words with them. Also ask them to practise writing some of their sight words. There can be confusion around 'b' and 'd', so these two letters would be great to practise.

Don't forget to label your child's items, especially with winter upon us as we have jumpers coming on and off all day.

Could you all reiterate the importance of keeping your hands and feet to yourself and taking turns with your child?

We have been lucky to have Miss Smith from Avondale college help us out in literacy groups each Friday morning. Next term she will be on the class quite a bit doing her internship. This will go for 6 weeks.

We have a lot of exciting activities coming up for NAIDOC week in week 10. There will be more information closer to the time.



Again, thank you to the parent helpers that help out in Literacy and Math groups. Your help is really appreciated.

Thank you to those of you who have already sent in item for science. A note was sent home requesting bits and pieces of recycled items so your child could make a toy.

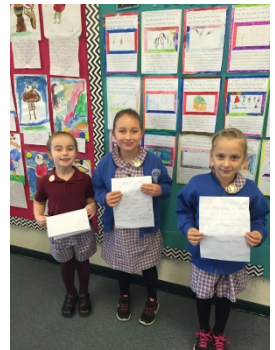
If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to ask me or let me know. Have a wonderful week. Keep Smiling

Michelle Shaw

## **1TM**

Welcome to week 8! We can't believe how quick the term is flying by. We were so impressed with the speeches! Congratulations to Eli and Alissa who will be representing our class in the stage finals. 1TM have been doing some fantastic writing over the past few weeks, well done!

On Friday, your child was given a slip of paper with their password for Studyladder. Studyladder is a website that has interactive activities for your child to do. The password will allow your child to have free access to some educational activities that will reinforce different concepts taught in class. This is an optional activity.



Make sure you are continuing to read with your child each night and record in their home reading diary.

Have a fantastic week. Mrs Towns and Mrs Melvin

## **1/2B**

Hi everyone

I can't believe we are already in week 8! We have a couple of exciting things happening before we break for holidays in a few weeks' time. This week we have our Public Speaking Stage Finals! Our finals will be held today in the hall after lunch. Well done to Uisce and Lily for speaking at the finals!! All of the students did a fabulous job of their speeches in class and should also be proud of their efforts!

Our NAIDOC week celebrations will be coming up in week 10, so all of our students will be participating in some awesome activities over the last week of school before holidays. We will also be very sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Hodgson-Bower in week 10 but we will make the most of having her around over the next few weeks.

This term we will have school reports going out as well, so keep an eye out for those in the coming weeks.

If you would like to make a time to have a chat about your child's progress or any questions/concerns you may have, please make a time with one of us or the front office.

Thank you Mrs Stephens and Miss Hodgson-Bower

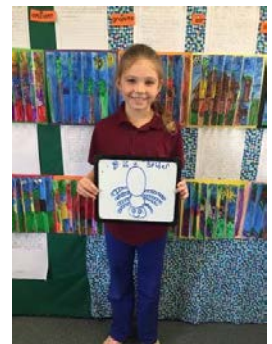
## 2S

Welcome to week 8!

Our speeches have been presented and were all done really well. I had a tough time choosing just two to go on to our Public Speaking Final, which will be held next Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of June at 12pm in the school hall. There were two speeches that stood out due to the way they were delivered. Congratulations to the 2016 2S Public Speaking finalists Chase Butler and Alex Fulton. Both boys were very well prepared and confident with their delivery. Their 2S classmates and myself are really looking forward to seeing them deliver their speeches to the Early Stage One and Stage One students next week - Good Luck Boys!



In Mathematics last week the students were looking at the book One Is a Snail, Ten Is a Crab - A Counting By Feet Book by April and Jeff Sayre. The book helps students to develop their number sense and problem solving skills as they search for different ways to represent numbers using animals (and a humans) feet. The book was first introduced to us by Mrs Melvin during one of her TEN (Targeting Early Numeracy) sessions. We loved it so much that we used it all week! I have included some pictures of the students thoroughly enjoying their Maths/Literacy/Art lessons:o)



Here is the link to a

SlideShare version of the book if you would like to enjoy it as well.

<http://www.slideshare.net/ismes/one-is-a-snail-ten-is-a-crab>

Enjoy the rest of your week!

Mrs Sturgess :o)

## STAGE 2

Welcome to Week Eight! This terms has flown by and the end of a hardworking term is near.

Well done to all students for their exceptional speeches in the classroom over the last week. You were all fantastic! You should all be very proud of yourselves. As we go to print

the stage finals are being held. Good luck and congratulations to all of those students competing.

Thank you to those that have paid for camp. Please make sure your child's medical and activity forms are returned to the classroom teacher as soon as possible. Just a reminder that the cost of the excursion is \$240 for the Camp (accommodation, activities, meals and transport). Please do not forget to send your payment card in with your child's payments. You have the option of paying the total cost for the excursion up front or making individual payments on or before the due dates specified. You can also choose to make smaller payments at different dates.

Please ensure that your child has enough lead pencils, a ruler, glue sticks, sharpeners and erasers. It is important that students have the right equipment each day so they are organised for each lesson.

Please do not hesitate to make a time to come and speak with us if you have any questions.

Have a great fortnight,

Miss Anderson, Mrs Day and Mrs Ryder

### **STAGE 3**

The end of the term is in sight and it has certainly come around quick! We have been very busy in classrooms finishing assessments for reporting, engaging in Focus on Reading activities and also participating in many extra-curricular activities.

Thanks to all the parents who attend last Monday's fundraiser meeting. We will get out a roster soon for our Bunning BBQ. If you are available to help on the day and were unable to make the meeting, helpers are still needed. Please see Mr McNally, Ms Coalfield or Mrs Burckhardt.

Well done to our Stage 3 netballer's who went to the Wallarah Zone gala day on Friday.

The kids had a great day, playing 4 games with neighbouring schools. Our team was unsuccessful in advancing to the next stage of the competition but the girls had fun.

Thanks to Ms Andersen for organising the girls and thank you to our wonderful parents for helping with transport.

We have the Sydney North Cross Country coming up next week with 4 Stage 3 students attending. Good Luck to Emma Larkham, Rochelle Beamish, Lachlan Melinz and Jonathan Melinz.

Good Luck to our Stage 3 Public Speakers who made it through to the finals. The finalist from 5/6F are Jonathan Melinz, Chlesea Mullen and Abbey Gallagher and the finalist from 5/6M are Lucy Neal, Cobi-Legh Kent and Hayden Palesy. Well done and good luck today in the finals!

ICAS testing continues this week and spelling is the focus. Good luck to all our students who are participating in these tests.

Wadalba High School will be visiting again next Wednesday during the morning session.

Mr McNally will be absent during week 9 as he fulfils his duties with the Sydney North Hockey Team at the State Championships.

Regards, Mr McNally and Mrs Farnworth

# DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday, 15 June

Wednesday, 29 June

- ICAS Spelling Competition

- Senior Dance Performance Night  
Laycock St Theatre

Friday, 1 July

***LAST DAY TERM 2***

## HOLIDAYS

Monday, 18 July

Tuesday, 19 July

Staff Development Day

Students Return

Friday, 12 August

OLYMP-a-thon

## **\*\* Olymp-A-THON \*\* - 12 AUGUST 2016**

It's time for our 'Funathon' where we raise money for our school. This year we are having an **Olymp-a-thon** to tie in with the 2016 Olympic Games.

Each child will be bringing home a sponsorship form to collect sponsorship money in the coming weeks. All students are asked to get as many sponsors as they can so we can purchase resources for the school with a focus on technology. Students and parents can ask grandma, grandpa, aunties, uncles, family friends, people at work etc for sponsorship.

Under no circumstances should your child go door to door seeking sponsorship.

There will be prizes!!! A more detailed note will be handed out before the end of Term 2.

The Olymp-a-thon will be held on Friday, 12 August 2016.







## NAIDOC WEEK 2016



Tuggerawong PS will be celebrating NAIDOC week in Week 10 and we have another fun week of activities organised! This year's NAIDOC theme is '*Songlines: the living narrative of our nation*'. The theme highlights the importance of the Dreamtime for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The Dreamtime describes a time when the earth, people and animals were created by ancestral spiritual beings. Dreaming tracks crisscross Australia and trace the journeys of ancestral spirits as they created the land, animals and lores. These dreaming tracks are sometimes called 'Songlines' as they record the travels of these ancestral spirits who 'sung' the land into life.

Below is an overview of the week's events. We would like to invite all parents and grandparents to come along and participate in these activities with their children.

- **Monday- NAIDOC Assembly, 9:30am in Hall**  
**All parents and community members invited to attend.**

We are very excited to have Gavi Duncan from Bara Barang begin this year's assembly with a traditional Smoking Ceremony. Our Tuggerawong students will be performing a dance/song they have been working on and again we are lucky to have Wadalba High School boys perform.

After the assembly, we are having a BBQ, so please come, enjoy the assembly and stay afterwards for lunch with your child. **The BBQ is only a gold coin donation.**

- **Wednesday- Doing Things Together Day- from 12pm to 1:45pm**

Students are placed in small groups, lead by our Year 6 students. Groups move around from classroom to classroom engaging in a variety of Aboriginal activities, arts, crafts and cooperative games. Each classroom has 4 activities.

- **Thursday- Indigenous Sports Day**

Our senior Aboriginal students have organised a series of Indigenous games to teach each class. Each stage will be coming out for an hour to participate in each of these games.

- **Friday- NAIDOC week closing address- Friday afternoon assembly**

We look forward to seeing you at our NAIDOC week celebrations!

Regards, TPS Aboriginal Education Committee

# SPORT

## NETBALL

A big congratulations to the Tuggerawong Public School netball team who competed in their first gala day on Friday, 10 June at Baker Park.

Our first game was against Lake Munmorah Public School and unfortunately we lost by 3. We continued onto round 2 where we were up against Toukley Public School. Once again, unfortunately we lost that game by 5. We were lucky enough to find two other schools who were happy to play friendly matches before the end of the day. We won one of the two matches and each and every girl played amazing.

The girls never gave up and throughout the whole day encouraged each one another to keep playing hard and keep smiling. I was honoured to take such a lovely bunch of girls out to represent our school. We had three girls in the team who had never played before and WOW! The support from the other girls was incredible and you would never have been able to pick out those three girls.

Win or lose, the girls were winners in my eyes.

Miss Anderson ☺



## **TRIVIA NIGHT**

**WHEN:** 29 October 2016

**WHERE:** Wyong Golf Club

**TIME:** 7.00pm

**WHO:** Adults only

**COST:** \$15 each or \$120 for a table of 8

**THEME:** Favourite Era

If any parents have connections to businesses and can ask for donations, that would be greatly appreciated. Donations are kindly accepted for prizes.  
Please see Bron or Kylie in the canteen if you have any questions.

## **CANTEEN**

New Canteen Phone Number: 0459 398 152

Please like our Facebook Canteen Page "Tuggerawong Tuckerbox".  
'Daily Specials' will be advertised on this page.

*State of Origin - 'Pie and Sausage Roll Meal Deals'* were a great success. Thank you for supporting the canteen. All profits go to the P & C to contribute to school resources. We will be running more for *State of Origin Two*.  
Make sure to keep an eye out for more of these Meal Deals.

**We will be running our stock levels down due to nearing the end of Term 2. Items will be taken off Flexischools if we have sold out.**

## **TUCKERBOX NEWS**

Canteen - Phone Number: 0459 398 152 (New Number)

<b>2016 - TERM 2- CANTEEN ROSTER</b>				
<i>Monday 13/6/16</i>	<i>Tuesday 14/6/16</i>	<i>Wednesday 15/6/16</i>	<i>Thursday 16/6/16</i>	<i>Friday 17/6/16</i>
	Maggie Simpson Fred Simpson			Lindal Penman
<i>Monday 20/6/16</i>	<i>Tuesday 21/6/16</i>	<i>Wednesday 22/6/16</i>	<i>Thursday 23/6/16</i>	<i>Friday 24/6/16</i>
	Maggie Simpson Fred Simpson			Lindal Penman
<i>Monday 27/6/16</i>	<i>Tuesday 28/6/16</i>	<i>Wednesday 29/6/16</i>	<i>Thursday 30/6/16</i>	<i>Friday 1/7/16</i>
	Maggie Simpson Fred Simpson			Lindal Penman

*ALL LUNCH ORDERS NEED TO BE THROUGH 'FLEXI SCHOOLS*

## SURVEY - NEW NEWSLETTER TIMETABLE

As a result of an increased reliance on social media and our school website we have been trialling a biweekly newsletter this year as opposed to the traditional method of sending out a copy each week.

I would now like to evaluate the success of this trial and gain community feedback on future directions. Please tick on of the following three options and return the detached slip to the office by the end of this term.

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- ☐ I would like to keep the current format and receive the school newsletter every second Monday.
- ☐ I would like to receive the school newsletter weekly.
- ☐ I would be happy not to have a school newsletter and receive any important information via social media, the school website and activity specific notes.
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## **STREET NEAT WELDING** CENTRAL COAST

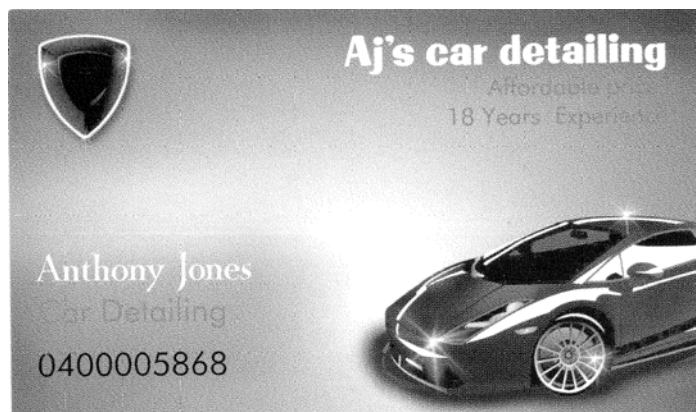


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**FAMILY CONTACT DETAILS UPDATE FORM**

STUDENTS NAME/S: .....

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**FAMILY CONTACT DETAILS**

RMB/PO Box:..... Street No/Property Name: .....

Street Name: .....

Suburb/Town: ..... Post Code: .....

Home Telephone Number: .....

**Mother/Guardian Name:** .....

Mobile Number: .....

Work Number: .....

**Father/Guardian Name:** .....

Mobile Number: .....

Work Number: .....

**EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS**

Name: ..... Relationship to Student: .....

Home Telephone Number:..... Mobile Number: .....

Name: ..... Relationship to Student: .....

Home Telephone Number: ..... Mobile Number: .....

**CONTACT DETAILS FOR PARENT NOT RESIDING WITH STUDENT**

Parent/Guardian Name: .....

Relationship to Student: .....

Home Address: .....

Home Telephone Number: ..... Mobile Number: .....