

# Canteen

## News

### Easter Lunch Draw

Each time you order your lunch at the canteen your name goes into the draw for the Easter Surprise. Drawn Thursday 28th March.



### Notes with Newsletter

- ◆ Clean Up Australia Day
- ◆ P & C Easter Raffle
- ◆ Canteen Price List
- ◆ Yr 5/6 Excursion

### Dates to Remember

Thursday 7th March P & C Meeting  
Meet & Greet Afternoon - 3.30pm-4.30pm

Thursday 21st March Harmony Day



### P & C MEETING

**When:** Thursday 14th March 2013

**Where:** Community Room

**Time:** After Morning School Assembly

**ALL WELCOME**

### WAGGA WAGGA SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS

Invites you to participate in a special event

**RIDE THE RAILS IN THE TWILIGHT**

At Wagga Wagga Botanical Gardens  
Macleay Street, Wagga Wagga

**Sunday 31st March 2013**

**4.00pm - 10.00pm**

**Cost \$2 per ride**



All persons are required to wear enclosed footwear

Cold Drinks, Tea/Coffee and BBQ Refreshments supplied by Wagga Men's Shed

**All proceeds to Wagga Wagga Men's Shed**

### SCHOOL HATS

New supply of hats have arrived.

Only \$6 each available from the front office

### HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – have you?

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive \$410 a year for each primary student and \$820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don't have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children's education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting [australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus](http://australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus) and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

**Our target this year**

**Attendance last week**

**Attendance this year**



**90%**

**91.2%**

(Term 1 2012- 88.7%)



# Tolland Public School

## School Newsletter

We acknowledge the Wiradjuri people and recognise the strength, resilience and capacity of Aboriginal people in our community.

**Week 6 Term 1**

**Tuesday 5th March 2013**

**Principal**  
Matthew Gray

### Assistant Principals

Kathryn Harriott  
Rachel Linsell  
Helen Nixon  
Narelle Buete (Relieving)  
Kate Fox (Relieving)

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### Term Dates

**Term 1 2013:**

Wednesday

30th January –

Friday 12th April 2013

### Principal's Message

Dear parents,

Congratulations to all students who participated so enthusiastically in our annual Swimming Carnival last week. Despite the rain, it was still a great day and I must commend Mr Fealy and the staff for the organisation and continual positive attitude throughout the day. I look forward to the announcement of the winning house and age champions at this Thursday's assembly.

### Meet and Greet

I look forward to catching up with parents and community members who attend the 'Meet and Greet' afternoon on Thursday to have a social afternoon with staff and other community members. Your interest and contributions in the school are very valuable. I hope that you have returned the RSVP slip today!

### P&C

The recent P&C meeting has continued a worrying trend for the school. Including myself, there were only two other parents present. To function effectively the P&C need a quorum of five people to be present at the meeting. Without this quorum no decisions can be made or motions passed that will benefit the students within the school. The other major effect is that without a functioning P&C, the school canteen cannot exist, as this is managed by the P&C. The next meeting for the P&C is Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March followed by the AGM on the 4<sup>th</sup> April. If these meetings fail to attract the necessary quorum of parents, particularly at the AGM, then the P&C will have to be disbanded for the year and obviously this has repercussions for the canteen. Please consider how you can support the P&C and the students of our school - the commitment is only small!

### School Absences

It is absolutely essential that children attend school every day. Each day we are able to see children learning and improving. If they are away for a day they miss important learning opportunities and it can become very difficult to catch up on missed work. If a child misses an average of between 12 and 15 days of school each year this adds up to one year's lost schooling over their whole school career.

Have a great week.

**Matthew Gray**





# SWIMMING CARNIVAL - FUN DAY

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February Tolland Public School travelled to Junee Aquatic Centre for the annual Swimming Carnival.

It was amazing to see all the students dressed in green and red and hold up their posters during the races. This year we had an increased number of students participating in the races which was excellent to see.

The students had a great day despite battling the rain. We managed to get all the races finished before the storm hit and we were lucky enough to still have some quality time in the pool and on the water slide. The announcement of the winning house and the presentation of the shield and age champions will be held this Thursday at assembly.

Thank you to all the students for being so well behaved on the day, you represented our school perfectly. Thank you to all the parents that travelled over and helped support our great sporting day and thank you to all the other teachers for helping make the day go smoothly.

Mr Fealy



## Bus Safety

Last Thursday KS, K1/B and Lucy Jones learnt about bus safety from representatives from NRMA, Busabout and the Police Department.



## Merit Awards

Janae P	Islah K	Ebonie C	Tyler M
Tajaha H	Lillyjana P	Briley S	Charlotte G
Felicity T	Tylah R	Latrell G	Kirsty C
Emily W	Maleek T	Ethan C	Nicholas W
Amber L	Tabua T	Mereoni T	Jack H
Kylie R	Heather H	Lillyjana P	Talia N
Amy M			



## Weekly Social Awards

Jakai M	Eboney J	Tyrelle T	Ashton C
Chloe M	Bella I	Arthur M	Tamsyn G
Corey M	Nicholas J	Noah E	
Tre W	Walker M		



## MEET & GREET AFTERNOON

Thursday, 7th March  
Tolland Public School

Parents and friends of our current students P-6 are invited to attend a free sausage sizzle from 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

The canteen will be open if you would like to purchase drinks, ice-blocks etc.



## Maths Corner



### PRIME NUMBERS

What is a Prime Number?

3 19 11

A Prime Number is a counting number which has no factors other than itself in one.



How old are you?  
(Is that a prime number?)