

Week 4 Term 1

Friday 21st February 2014

Weekly Merit Awards

Jamilia G	Jaydah-Rose C	Alex M	Shanice A
Sara R	Abbigail S	Jakai M	Nathaniel G
Tatum W	Brayden M	Tyrone M	James F
Tabua T	Cameron P	Monique B	Charlie A
George B			

Weekly PBL Awards

Kaelani G	Zjarlie L	Conner G	Heather
Amber L	Sarah S	Charlotte G	Madilyn B
Lucas W	Suhraya T		


Reading Awards

Nathan C	Blaze R	Ayden C	Jonty E


CANTEEN NEWS

Check out and keep an eye on my canteen blackboard for specials located on the staffroom wall near canteen.

Next Friday 28th February is Dairy Day. This is our first canteen special day and I look forward to your support.



Ice cream Cones	\$1.50	Milkshakes	\$2
Yoghurt Cups	\$1.00	Jelly Cups	\$0.80




Plus other yummy treats.


Community News

Riding for the Disabled Association (NSW) Wagga Centre is looking for Vol-unteers to help in our classes Monday through to Friday during term. If you have an hour or more to spare and you are able to help in our classes, please attend our training day on Saturday 1st March 2014 commencing at 9.30am.

No horse experience is necessary. Please phone RDA on 6922 3550 for more information.



Our target this year

90%

Attendance last week

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Tolland Public School

School Newsletter

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



Dear parents,

It is hard to believe we are entering the fourth week of the school term already! Well done to all our amazing Kindergarten students for a fantastic first 3 weeks at Tolland. I have enjoyed the opportunity to share some learning and look at some of the work being completed in our classrooms. All Best Start assessments are complete and results will be discussed with parents in the future.

Tolland Public School Website

Don't forget to log on to [www.tolland-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.tolland-p.schools.nsw.edu.au) for all of the latest news, pictures and calendar updates for your school and links to educational information that is relevant to your child!

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. Please remember shopping trips, birthday celebrations and sleeping in are not legitimate reasons for being absent from school. I encourage you to support your child's learning journey.

Anaphylaxis Procedures

The Department of Education and Communities have provided all public schools with a general use adrenaline autoinjector (an EpiPen) for their first aid kit. This does not replace the need for parents to continue to provide the school with an adrenaline autoinjector and ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis signed and dated by their doctor when their child has been diagnosed with anaphylaxis. Instead the general use adrenaline autoinjector is intended to be used if:

- An undiagnosed student has an anaphylactic reaction at school
- There is a misfire of the adrenaline autoinjector that has been prescribed for a student
- A student requires further adrenaline autoinjector to be administered after his or her own adrenaline autoinjector has been administered.

Please contact the school if you would like further information in relation to this matter.

Parent Contact

Parent contact is very much encouraged at Tolland PS so don't be alarmed if you receive a call from myself, a member of the school executive, Aboriginal Education Officer or your child's classroom teacher. If we can't reach you by phone then letters will be sent home or if the matter is urgent home visits may be made. It is vital that the school keep in touch with parents so that you are aware of what's happening in your child's life with regards to social, emotional, academic or behavioural concerns – both positive and or if there are any concerns!

Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all the students who participated in our annual Swimming Carnival at Junee yesterday. It was encouraging to see students entering into the competitive swimming races and notice the improvement is some of the students who participated last year in the Intensive Swim Program. The age champions are as follows:

Senior Boys	Jonty E	Senior Girls	Olivia C
	Ben B		Tabua T
11 Years Boys	Lachlan W	11 Years Girls	Talia N
	Cameron P		Mereoni T
			Logan K
Junior (8,9,10) Boys	Jayden M	Junior (8,9,10) Girls	Charlotte G
	James F		Aleisha S

Have a great week,

Matthew Gray.



Principal

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Dates to Remember

Friday	Book club due
21st Feb	
Friday	PBL Launch
28th Feb	
Friday	Kinder NRMA
28th Feb	Bus Safety
Tuesday	Trent Barrett
18th Mar	





## Meet and Greet

Last weeks meeting with parents was a great success despite the hot weather. Many parents attended our BBQ and took the opportunity to meet classroom teachers. A big thank you to Tolland IGA, Tolland Butchery and Pop's Bakery at Lake Albert for generously donating sausages and bread



## K-2 News

This Friday the infants children will be participating in an information session regarding Pet Care. Carmen and her little dog Zita are looking forward to their visit. If your child has any allergies that could be of concern on the day please see your class teacher.



## Yarn Up



All Aboriginal Parents and Carers are invited to come to the Community Classroom on Fridays and have a cuppa, chat and learn how to paint.

Come and find out what you can learn to do at Tolland Public School while your children are also learning.

These programs will be offered each Friday from 9.30 am. All you bring is yourself and a friend and everything else will be supplied.

Please feel free to drop in.

Joycelan Williams

## Water Fun Day

On Wednesday, Infants students and Bimbi Pre-school students cooled off during our Water Fun Day. Mr Harriott turned on the sprinklers and students (and teachers!) raced around with water buckets and water pistols. A well-deserved afternoon of fun was had by all.



### A Big THANK YOU to CARLO'S TOLLAND IGA

Help our school by buying your groceries at Tolland IGA. Last week we received a \$700 cheque from their Community Chest. The money will go towards our "positive behaviours for learning program".



## Head lice — Information

### How do I look for head lice?

To check hair for head lice, carefully comb plenty of hair conditioner through the dry hair, then comb again in sections with a metal fine-tooth 'nit' comb. The hair conditioner slows the head lice down so that the lice can be trapped in the comb (see page 3). Wipe the combings on a white paper towel and examine them with a magnifying glass in strong light, e.g. sunlight, to look for head lice and eggs. To check more effectively for eggs, use a magnifying glass in strong light, e.g. sunlight, to examine the hair close to the scalp,

especially behind the ears and at the nape of the neck.



### Prevention

Useful activities and ideas to help prevent infestation:

- check your child's hair regularly for head lice and eggs ('nits') – use a metal fine tooth 'nit' comb and plenty of hair conditioner applied to the dry hair, to make the task easier and more effective.
- tie long hair back – braid and/or put it up if possible.
- avoid sharing combs or brushes.
- consider applying hair gel or mousse
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- immerse brushes and combs in hot water for 10 minutes after use to kill any head lice or eggs trapped in them.
- remind your child to avoid head-to-head contact with other children, e.g. when working at the computer with others, or when playing, or hugging.