

Week 2 Term 3

Thursday 24th July 2014

Weekly Merit Awards

Mason M	Kyla M	Birralee P	Isaac L	Tyson N
Jessica H	Ella W	Amogh B	Jed K	Jakhobi H
Tyler Smith-S	Kelissa K	Jesse D	Nicholas J	Molly C
Ella D	Amellia H	Vikram B	Tristan C	Kyana P
Jackson H	Tyrelle T	Dakota O	Olivia C	Shanice A
Pearl P	Maya M	Charlize K	Jackson M	James F
Amber B	Ella T	Samuel G	Jonty E	
Kai W	John K	Tyron M	Andrew H	
Behaviour Award	Unit	Uniform Award	3/4 B	

Weekly PBL Awards

Jarinda-Rae B	Bella M	Ebony G	Rasheed G	Lucas W
Jamilia G	Lei-Lei G	Shakur N	Kyana P	Charlie A
Jeffrey B	Anthony H	Lillyjana P	Ben B	Walker M
Alex M	Achieu A	Bella I	Tabua T	Islah K
Shaytaya S	Kyleatia S	Molly-Lee H	Danica H	Omid R
Connor G	Jamaal P	Levi G	Madelyn P	
Kiarna B	O'Shea G	Kuliah P	Jack H	

Reading Awards

Club 25	Club 50	Club 75	Club 100	Club 125	Club 150
Jonty E	Molly H	George B	Kyliah P	Tabua T	Olivia C
Jackson M	Madelyn P	Pearl P	Talia N	Charlotte G	Ashton C
Chelsea C	Blaze R		Charlize K	Keyarna M	Tamika P
Ella W					Mereoni T

Canteen News - recess specials

Wednesday - Fried rice

Thursday - Pastry scrolls

Friday - Pizza muffins and garlic bread

Our target this year

Attendance last week

Attendance this year

92%

86%

(Term 1 2014 - 91%)

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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.

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Dates to Remember

Friday	Nitbuster Day
7th August	
Wednesday	Mini Fete
20th August	
Monday	Education Week
28th July —	
Friday	
1st August	

Dear parents,

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope all families had the opportunity to spend time together whether on a trip, watching movies, playing games or sharing a great story. It was good to catch up with staff and hear their stories about their holidays. It was a much needed break for the whole school community.

Staff Development Day

Last Monday the staff spent time discussing the use of the Literacy and Numeracy continuums to plot the progress of students against year level expectations. Mrs Tracey Smith lead the staff in a range of activities designed to make staff more familiar with the continuums. Mrs Rachel Linsell and Mrs Helen Nixon also presented to staff, data from Semester 1 in relation to PBL. It was very encouraging to see a significant reduction in numbers of both behaviour slips and suspensions. We are now working towards moving PBL into the classroom and will be working with the students around the values and expectations.

Staff Leave

A number of staff will be taking leave this term through their Long Service Leave provisions. Mrs Tracey Smith will be on leave from Weeks 4-10 (we are currently seeking a replacement; Mrs Al Elphick from Weeks 7-10 (Mrs Lisa Jones will cover this leave). We wish all of them an enjoyable break.

K-6 Dance Program

This term we commence our dance program. The school is funding the program so all students have the opportunity to develop their performing arts skills. This program will culminate in a dance afternoon in Week 10. Dance lessons will take place on Thursday so please ensure that your child attends school on Thursday (and every day) so as not to miss this great opportunity.

Assembly

As our Dance Program runs on a Thursday for Term 3 we will be holding our weekly assembly on Wednesday morning beginning at 9.30am. Parents are always most welcome to attend.

Education Week

Education Week is again being celebrated in Week 3. A number of students will be participating in dance or choral groups at the Marketplace on Wednesday 31st July. More details about times, transport and item requirements will come home shortly. We look forward to once again having fantastic support from our school community.

Have a great week.

Matthew Gray

Mini Fete—20th August

(Students only)

The students will be holding a mini fete on Wednesday 20th August. There will be lots of exciting activities and stalls. Most of the items will be \$1 or \$2, so make sure the students bring along lots of coins to spend.

All of the money raised at the mini fete will be donated to charity.

General News

- Just a reminder to parents that the assembly day has been changed from Thursday morning to Wednesday morning.
- Another reminder, coming up on Friday the 7th of August the school will be holding a Nitbuster day for all students.
- In the month of August the canteen will be open on Tuesdays as well as our normal days of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Adding 10 minutes per day!

Adding 10 minutes a day to a child's reading makes a big difference over the year.

Did you notice? The more minutes children read per day, the more fluent their reading becomes. From 5 minutes to 15 minutes per night there is around a 200% increase in word exposure over 1 year.

Research shows us that the benefits of reading 10 minutes more a day include improved performance in general knowledge, vocabulary, reading, comprehension, verbal fluency and spelling.

P & C News

Tolland School Fete—Thursday October 23rd

If you are available to volunteer your time, either on the day or leading up to the event. Please come and place your name on the contact sheet in the office.

Christmas in July

The Christmas in July raffle draw has been delayed. It will now be drawn on Friday 25th of July at 9.30am in the front office.

Thanks,
P & C

Early Intervention

Early Intervention runs small preschool based programs for children aged 3 to 5 who may have difficulty with speech, vision, hearing, learning or autism.

For more information or to see if your child is eligible please contact the school office on 69 311 263.

This is a **free service**.

