

Week 5 Term 1
Thursday 26th February 2015

Weekly Merit Awards

Aleya	Bryce	Ben	Jessica	Shanice
Harmony	Tobias	Felicity	Jaycee	Stephanie
Tyler	Shanequwa	Charlotte	Ajah	Dakota
Melitta	Jasmine	Tyrone	Eliana	
Jackson	Souljah	Kyson	Jasmine	

Weekly PBL Awards

Benjamin	Kaleel	Roslyn	Tyson	Shanice
Savannah	Jett	Blaze	Asher	Kyleatia
Kiana-Leise	Edmund	Mason	Elvis	Mason
Abby		Areaka	Shayne	

Reading Encouragement Award

Kelissa	Tiara		
Roslyn	Tyron		
Laura	Kuliah		
Molly	Areaka		

CANTEEN NEWS!

Canteen will be open at Athletics Carnival at Jubilee Park

March 5th


Ice-creams, drinks, chips, lollies,  
fresh salad wraps and rolls will be  
available.


\* Canteen will still be open on Tuesdays for the rest of the year. \*


Our target this year
90%

Attendance last week
90%

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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,  
  
Congratulations to all our new school leaders who were presented with their badges at our Leaders Induction today. I was especially encouraged to see so many parents, grandparents and friends supporting these students. Being a leader is a wonderful opportunity to develop skills that will assist the students as they get older.  
  
**Dogs in Schools**  
Your support and co-operation is requested in not bringing your dog to school at any time. The Department of Education and Communities has a general rule about dogs in schools and at Tolland Public School this rule is also enforced. The only exception to this rule relates to dogs as support animals for people with vision impairment and, in this area, I am able to consider each case individually. Thank you for support in keeping our school safe.  
  
**Kinder Speech Program**  
Another program that has been implemented at Tolland over the past 6 years is a Kindergarten speech program. This program focuses on teaching our children to articulate their sounds correctly – greatly assisting their speaking and reading skills. Mrs Karen Dombrovski and Mrs Rachel McGrath are working with several of our Kindergarten students and already we are seeing huge improvements. Our students are also supported by Mrs Jackie Stening, a local Speech Pathologist, who we employ one day a week to target students with specific speech needs.  
  
**Partial Absences**  
It is a legal requirement that students attend school for the full duration of the school day, unless a justifiable reason prevents this from occurring. It is understandable that sometimes it can be difficult to get appointments outside of school hours but it is requested that every effort is made to minimise disruption and to avoid making regular appointments in school time where possible. If your child does arrive late to school their teacher will enter the arrival time on the class roll. After 9.30am children must attend the office to obtain a late note before going to class.  
  
The start of the school day is important and it is essential that students settle into their classrooms on time to get the best from lessons. Students who enter the classroom late can disturb other students during their learning or disrupt the classroom routine. It is understandable that on occasion events do occur that cause lateness and this may be beyond control but your efforts in ensuring that all students are at school on time each day is greatly appreciated. Should you wish to discuss this issue further, please do not hesitate to contact the school.  
  
**3-way Conversations**  
Our 3-way Conversations have been organised for Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> March for our mainstream classes and Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March for classes from the Special Education Unit. These informal meetings will allow parents to meet teachers with their child to talk about the learning that has been happening so far and also a chance to talk about your child's learning goals for the year. Notes with further information will be sent out in the next week which will allow parents to indicate a time preference. I strongly encourage all parents to take this opportunity to participate in these conversations.  
  
Have a great week.  
  
Matthew Gray



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**Dates to Remember**

Friday	Clean Up
27th	Australia Day,
February	
Thursday	Athletics Carnival
5th March	
Friday	Harmony Day
20th March	



# 2015 Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February Tolland Public School travelled to the Junee Aquatic Centre for the annual Swimming Carnival. The students supported the carnival enthusiastically, with an increased number of participants this year across all races.

There were many close races this year and some outstanding individual performances including Joe in the Senior Boys Freestyle and Butterfly, Aleisha and Areaka in the 11 years girls Freestyle and Logan in the Senior Girls Freestyle. In a close result, COOK retained the Swimming Shield for 2015. The final result was Cook - 256 points to Hargraves - 210.

Age Champions for 2015:

Junior Boy Champions - Mason & Brayden (Joint Winners)

Junior Girl Champion - Tamsyn

Junior Girl Runner-up- Tajaya

11 Years Boy Champion - Jayden

11 Years Boy Runner-up- Shane

11 Years Girls Champion- Aleisha

11 Years Girls Runner-up- Areaka

Senior Boys Champion- Joey

Senior Boys Runner-up- Lachlan

Senior Girls Champion - Logan

Senior Girls Runner-up- Tara



Joey , Jayden and Areaka all posted quick times during their races to qualify for the Wagga PSSA District Carnival this Friday 27/2/15 at OASIS Aquatic Centre. Good luck to our three swimmers.

A special thankyou goes to all the staff and T.P.S for all their help and support during the day, to all the parents that made the trip over to Junee to support the carnival, to the staff at Junee Aquatic Centre for hosting us and to all the students who attended the carnival. Your behaviour and effort was fantastic.

The Athletics Carnival is next! It is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March (Week 6) at Jubilee Oval.

## PERMISSION NOTE REMINDERS

Athletics Carnival Pre-Order Lunches

Notes and money must be returned by Friday 27th of February.



Scripture/walking/child protection/media permission form

The gold coloured note that was sent home with your child this week must be filled out on both sides and handed in ASAP.



## Clean Up Australia Day.

This Friday 27th February is Clean Up Australia Day.

Students and staff at Tolland Public School will be participating. Please ensure your child has a hat, water bottle, gloves for protection and a plastic bag.

Sunscreen will be provided by the school on the day.

