

Week 3 Term 2

Thursday 7th May 2015

Weekly Merit Awards

|           |             |             |            |                |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| Aleya G   | Tyra -Lee M | Sarah R     | Sarrinah R | Lucy J         |
| Cordell K | Destiny P   | Aleisha S   | Zjarlie L  | Dante W        |
| Jordyn M  | Ella W      | Cameron P   | Tyrell G   | Deborah-Dawn M |
| Jackson P | Zahra A     | Mackenzie C | O'Shae G   | Isabelle B     |
| Colin P   |             |             |            |                |

Weekly PBL Awards

|            |               |           |                |         |
|------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|---------|
| Harmony P  | Jaydah-Rose C | Violet W  | Shayne S       | Seth H  |
| Ashleigh B | Aedyn B       | Kelissa K | Monique H      | Tyler M |
| Ricky M    | Tyla M        | Riley M   | Tyler M        | Leroy C |
| Tobias B   | Ellena L      | Jameel P  | Vikramaditya B | Mason M |

Home Reading Awards

|          |           |          |  |
|----------|-----------|----------|--|
| Club 25  |           | Club 50  |  |
| Tyron M  | Tyler S   | Kyson W  |  |
| Amelia C | Madilyn B | Ashton C |  |

STEWART HOUSE FUNDRAISER - Friday 8th May


Tolland Public School will participate in the fundraiser by asking for a gold coin donation to create a coin line or for students to bring \$3.00 to purchase a key ring with a LED light. Please help support a great cause.

CANTEEN NEWS

Recess Specials next week



Tuesday & Wednesday - Nacho's



Thursday & Friday - Pasta

Thank you to everyone involved in the canteen renovations, if you haven't already seen it come and have a look.


Bimbi Preschool t-shirts.

Bimbi Preschool t-shirts are now available to purchase from the front office.

Sizes range from 4-6

The cost for 1 t-shirt is \$13.50

Our target this year

 90%

Attendance last week

90%

Attendance this year

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.



Dear parents,

How quickly we have reached Week 3 with students settled into great learning patterns. I have enjoyed visiting a number of classes over the past week and seeing the range of learning opportunities taking place including; individual and group writing sessions, hands-on maths activities; ukulele lessons and many involving our mini laptops. I strongly encourage all parents to spend just a few moments at the end of each day asking your child about their learning.

NAPLAN

As you are aware, all students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting the National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) next week from Tuesday to Thursday. The assessments will occur in the morning and the schedule includes:  
Tuesday – *Language Conventions and Writing*  
Wednesday – *Reading*  
Thursday – *Numeracy*  
There will be some changes in class routines during these sessions so that spaces can be provided for the assessments. Please remind your child we will be providing a breakfast for all Year 3 and 5 students (available from the canteen), to ensure that the students are well prepared. It is extremely important that all Year 3 and 5 students are present for these assessments.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

This week Mrs Nixon has been completing the school's Benchmarks of Quality (BOQ). This tool is used to self-evaluate the development and implementation of critical elements of the PBL framework within the school. The BOQ assesses areas such as staff commitment, effective procedures for dealing with discipline, data entry and analysis, expectations and rules, reward systems, lesson plans for teaching expectations, implementation and classroom systems. It then determines areas of strength and areas of development from which an action plan can be formulated. This year Tolland Public School came out with a score of 91% which is fantastic. The PBL team will now continue to work with all staff and students to embed our values in all aspects of the school.

Staff Professional Learning

Our teachers continue to engage in extensive professional development around various curriculum areas. I thank them for their strong focus on their own learning. This will translate into further effective teaching and, of course, effective learning by our students. We are continuing our involvement in the Riverina initiative called HOW2Learn. This learning strategy focuses on the student (and teacher) as a learner and encourages both staff and student to explore their 'mindset' in relation to learning. This has also involved the staff using a variety of digital learning tools including Instagrok, Sway and Smore which they can then use with students when researching or presenting information.

Have a great week.

Matthew Gray

Principal

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Dates to Remember

|                    |                          |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Tuesday 12th May   | Book Club Due            |
| Wednesday 13th May | Pie Drive Due            |
| Wednesday 13th May | Nitbusters               |
| Wednesday 27th May | Pie Drive Collection Day |



# Kids Speak



I played in the half time match.  
- Riley M



I liked that the country team won the game.  
- Violet W



I kicked the balls high in the air.  
- Ashley B



I like to tackle the other players  
- Wayne C

What did you like most about the City vs Country Football match?



I liked watching both the teams play.  
- Eliana B



I liked all the tries and goals kicked  
- Lindsay-Roy H



It was good because my cousins were playing in the teams  
-Rasheed G



I liked watching all the big tackles  
-Blake O

## P&C Pie Drive

Orders and money to be returned to the office by 13/5/2015

Orders will be distributed 27/5/2015

Spare copies are available from the front office.

# KS NEWS

Last week K-2 students had a visit from Pet Care! A real dog named Zita visited the classroom in a special cage on wheels. We learnt all about the things that dogs need to be healthy and happy. It was important to hear about the ways we could be safe around dogs and how to approach unfamiliar dogs. We were lucky enough to give Zita a pat before she left.

"I liked to give Zita a pat" Ashleigh B (KS)

"The dog sniffed my hand and it tickled"

Aleya G (KS)

"I liked to meet Zita" Sasha D (KW)



## TRENT BARRETT SHIELD

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April Tolland Public School participated in the Rugby League and Austag tournament- the 'Trent Barrett Shield' for ages 8-10 years. This was a fantastic day with Tolland Public School entering a boys and girls team.

The girls had a great day and showed huge improvement with each match. They ran hard and played with determination when trying to take the tags off their opponents. Unfortunately, the girls lost all three games on the day but showed greatly improved skills that will benefit them in future tournaments. A big thank you to Miss Prue for training and coaching the girls and a special thank you to the Year 5/6 girls who helped Miss Prue train the side in the lead up to the tournament.

The boys were extremely competitive and were very unlucky not to make it to the finals. In their first game, the boys defeated Koorringal (2) 36-4 displaying some fierce tackling and strong running. In their second game, the boys played against Holy Trinity (1) who are a very strong side and will compete in the finals next week. Unfortunately for the boys, with the score locked at 20-all, Holy Trinity managed to score just before the final siren beating Tolland 24-20. In their final game, Tolland came up against Koorringal (1) who were also a very strong team. After a slow start, the boys came home strongly to only lose by 4 points. A special thank you to the Year 5/6 boys who helped me train the boys in the lead up to the tournament.

The students were very lucky as both the NRL City and NRL Country Origin teams were there to support the carnival and our students were given the opportunity to meet, get a photo with and get signatures from current NRL players.

A special thank you to all the parents who came and supported the boys and girls. I know it meant a lot to the students to see you cheering them on from the sidelines.

Mr Fealy



## 2015 Selection Procedures for Year 5 Opportunity Class Placement in 2016

Parents of students currently in Year 4 who are interested in making an application must do so online by going to the following website: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement)

Online applications open on **Monday 27 April and close on Friday 15 May 2015**. Late applications will not be accepted after the closing date except in areas where there is a shortage of suitable candidates.

If you have any enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact the High Performing Students Unit on 1300 880 367.