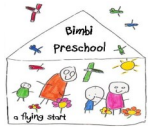



Weekly Merit Awards				
Manraj D	Nathaniel H	Ashleigh B	Ajah G	Dakota H
Maya M	Stephanie H	Jimmy A	Bryce M	Maxine I
Nathan C	Malaki H	Sarah S	Levi G	Charlotte G
Zac O	Katelin A	Hayden H	Isla D	Charlie A
Ethan H	Chelsea C	Charlize K	Dasean K	
Weekly PBL Awards				
Jaylen W	Harmony P	Aleesia W	Jackson P	Tyler L
Joey C	Abby K	Tyler M	Paige G	Tameika C
Jackson H	Ellena L	Lennox C	Brad G	Nyekiah C
Dakota O	Joey C	Tiara M	Tamsyn G	Charlotte G
Tara K	Harry R	Declend M	Kyleatia S	

Kindergarten and Bimbi  
Preschool now taking  
enrolments for 2016.



**REMINDER:**  
**Beechworth Excursion**  
**money is now due to the**  
**front office.**

Have you downloaded the school's app, **Tiqbiz**? The app allows you to be notified of school news, messages and events and communicate with the school. The app can be downloaded onto your smartphone or tablet via the Apple, Windows 8 and Android app stores.

Our target this year	Attendance last week	Attendance this time last year
 <b>90%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>90%</b>

# 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,

Another very cold week has greeted us to begin Week 5. At present there are a number of winter bugs affecting students and I strongly encourage you to keep your children at home if they are unwell. This ensures they recover quickly and they also do not affect other students. I know we are all looking forward to warmer weather!!

### Levels Assembly

Congratulations to all students who received awards at last week's Levels Assembly.



### Student Attendance

Students who are absent from school need to have an explanation provided to the school. This explanation can be verbal or written. Don't forget you can also use our school app, **Tiqbiz**, to send in a written explanation. A number of parents have already used this feature. Students who have unexplained absences from school will be sent a letter asking for the absence to be explained. **Good attendance is vital for a good education.** If you receive a letter and have any questions please contact the school to clarify any concerns you may have.

### Week 7 activities

The week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> August will be a busy one at Tolland. It will be Book Week and we have a number of activities including the Book Week parade on Wednesday afternoon 26th August and the SRC Mini Fete on Thursday afternoon 27th August. This year we are inviting parents and friends to attend the Mini Fete to enjoy the time with their children. More information about Book Week will come home next week.

### CHORDS (Choral and Dance Spectacular) Cluster Rehearsals

Today Tolland hosted the Cluster Rehearsals for CHORDS. Our choir of 30 students from Yrs 3-6 joined about 500 students from other public schools around Wagga to practise the songs that make up the program. CHORDS is held at the Civic Theatre in Week 4 next term.

### Primary Principals' Conference

Along with Principals from all over the Riverina, I will be attending the Riverina Regional Principals' Conference in Wagga next Thursday and Friday. It is a great opportunity as part of my own learning journey and a great chance to network with other principals.

### Staff Baby News

Congratulations to Mrs Holder who has a new baby boy, Ned, born last week. We also farewell Mrs O'Kane who will be taking maternity leave, starting next week. We wish both of them the best during this exciting time.

Have a great week.  
Matthew Gray

### Principal

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## Dates to Remember

<b>Thurs 20th August</b>	Special Ed Swimming Carnival
<b>Wed 26th August</b>	Book Week parade
<b>Thurs 27th August</b>	Mini Fete

# Chess News

Last Thursday I had the pleasure of taking a group of students to Sturt Public School to compete in the annual One Day Chess Tournament run by the NSW Junior Chess League. Both teams played very well on the day, especially since this was the first time playing competitive chess for all but Tiara.

Chelsea C, Aleisha S and Tamsyn G started strongly against some tough competition. Tiara M, Arthur M and Nathaniel G held their own against the best, finishing equal 3rd with Kapooka Primary School. A technical count back gave our team 4th overall out of the 70 teams. The teams came from as far afield as Cootamundra, Temora and Tumut, as well as local public and private schools, so this was a fantastic result.

Well done to all students for their fine display of sportsmanship and our school values. Thank you to the parents and carers for your help with transport. Thank you also to Laura H, Stephanie H, Vikram B and Amogh B for the many challenges you gave the teams and to Mr Fryer for allowing us to invade the library on Friday afternoons.

- Karen Dombrovski



## Mini Fete—27th August

The students will be holding a Mini Fete on **Thursday the 27th of August**. There will be lots of fun activities and stalls, including

**BISCUIT ICING**

**FACE PAINT**

**BALLOON ANIMALS**

**TEMPORARY TATTOOS**

**ICE CREAM**

**LUCKY DIPS**

## Book Week Parade— 26th August



This years Book Week parade will be held on Wednesday the 26th of August starting at 2:10pm.

Students are invited to dress up as their favourite book characters. Prizes will be awarded on the day.

This years book week theme is *“books light up our world”*

# What's Happening in 5/6P?

We are discovering how the gold rush changed life in Australia.

We have discovered that some countries had terrible problems that were leaving people poor, hungry, homeless and without hope of a better future. By coming to Australia they helped to start the multicultural society that we live in today.

We have been reading A BANNER BOLD as well as discovering the poetry and stories of Henry Lawson ‘the poet of the people’ through THE LOADED DOG and THE ROARING DAYS.

We have been visualising, questioning, and predicting to help us understand what life on the goldfields would be like. Population trends during this time have been investigated through the use of graphs and world maps have helped us to discover the extent of people’s journeys.

We are about to embark on a study of THE EUREKA STOCKADE and how this event helped to change Australian Democracy, as well as learning about Ned Kelly before heading on our excursion to Glenrowan and Beechworth.



An old water transport cart  
—By Amoghavarsha B



A Chinese miner on the goldfields  
—By Tyron M



An old street scene—By Ben P