

Temora West

Empowering our students to reach their full potential

PUBLIC SCHOOL

THE SCRIBBLY GUM



Term 4 Week 4 2019

Principal's Report

Last week was World Teachers' Day and the SASS staff prepared a beautiful morning tea for the teachers. We were astounded by the decorative staff room!! All Hawaiian! Thank you SASS staff, we appreciate the Morning Tea!

Our Year 6 students have concluded their orientation visits to Temora High School. Students had the opportunity to participate in group activities that gave them an idea of what their high school experience will be like. They also had the opportunity to mix with students from Temora Public, Ariah Park, Stockinbingal and St Anne's who will join them in Year 7 next year.

Their Borambola Camp is coming up soon and I know they are looking forward to the well earned break!

The Leader's Speeches are on Friday 6th Dec and the Year 5 students have begun to think about the leadership roles they may wish for in 2020. The School Captain, Vice Captain and Permanent School Councillor roles are open to any student who is responsible, well-mannered and whose behaviour is of a high standard. These are important roles in our school and we rely on our leaders to represent our school many times during the year.

Our new Kinders are at the end of their transition to big school. We are enjoying getting to know them and helping them settle into our school. Below are some things they liked about their day.

Hayley: I liked playing with the cash register.

Grace: I liked playing with the grapes and lettuce in the school shop.

Layla: I liked the shop especially the cash register.

Jacob: I liked the new keyring.

Schools are currently working on the School Plan that will guide us for next year.

An essential component to school planning is to lead a shared vision, aligned with three strategic directions.

We will be thinking about these things:

- How do we want our students to be learning in the future?
- How will they be behaving, interacting, connecting with others?
- What skills and qualities do our students need to develop for success, now and into the future?
- What does this mean for staff members and school leaders?

Toni



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Each year we acknowledge and celebrate our teachers on World Teachers' Day. Although this day is generally celebrated earlier in Oct and falls in the school holidays, we had our celebrations earlier this week so we did not miss the occasion. In 2019, World Teachers' Day celebrates teachers with the UNESCO theme, "Young Teachers: The future of the Profession." The day provides the occasion to celebrate the teaching profession worldwide, to take stock of achievements, and to address some of the issues central for attracting and keeping the brightest minds and young talents in the profession.

The SASS staff provided a lovely morning tea for the teaching staff and the students wore casual clothes. Mrs Macauley decorated the staff room beautifully in a Hawaiian theme and the staff were dressed in leis so they could feel like they were on a tropical Island somewhere!

A big 'Thank you' to our teaching staff for everything they do for our children!!



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CALENDAR

WEEK 4

Fri 8th Nov Assembly 2/3G 12:35pm

Fri 8th Nov MC/H Excursion to THS

WEEK 5

Tues 12th Nov Spider Movie - Town Hall Theatre

Fri 15th Nov CWA International Day Afternoon Tea (selected students)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues 19th Nov Swimming for Sport Begins

Thur 21st Nov Year 5 Excursion - Hill End Ranch

Fri 22nd Nov Assembly - Kinder

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS



TJAFNC are calling for expressions of interest to play junior netball in the 2020 season. With limited teams able to be nominated Expressions of Interest will be accepted until Monday 9th December.

If your child is intending on playing please contact Kath Derrick on 0428774450 via text with your child's Name & Date of Birth.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Mrs Smart and the School Captains will be attending the Remembrance Day Ceremony on Monday 11th November at the Temora Centotaph where they will lay a wreath on behalf of our school community. We pay our respects to all the armed force members who have lost their lives in their line of duty.

SPIDER MOVIE

Students from K - Year 6 have the opportunity to attend a special screening at the Town Hall Theatre of the movie called '16 legs' a documentary about spiders. Notes and money for this excursion need to be returned by tomorrow, Friday 8th November. Please make sure all notes and money are returned to class teachers.

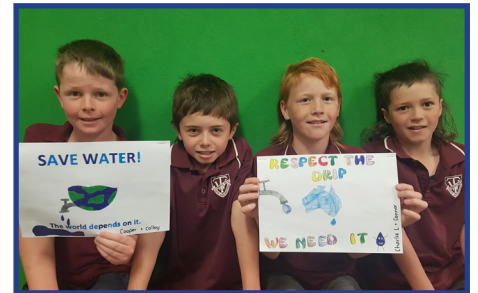
CANTEEN SPECIAL

Brooke is running a special in the canteen for the month of November.
*Chicken & Gravy Roll with choice of Flavoured Milk or Chill J Drink for \$5.00

WATER WISE COMPETITION

Goldenfields Water invited the school to take part in their competition to celebrate National Water Week. Year 5 along with Miss Evans and Mr Harrison worked on making posters to show ways in which we can save water and become more water wise. The class did a fabulous job on their posters and we were thrilled to hear that Kate Pellow won the Year 5/6 category. Kate will be awarded a prize from Goldenfields Water.

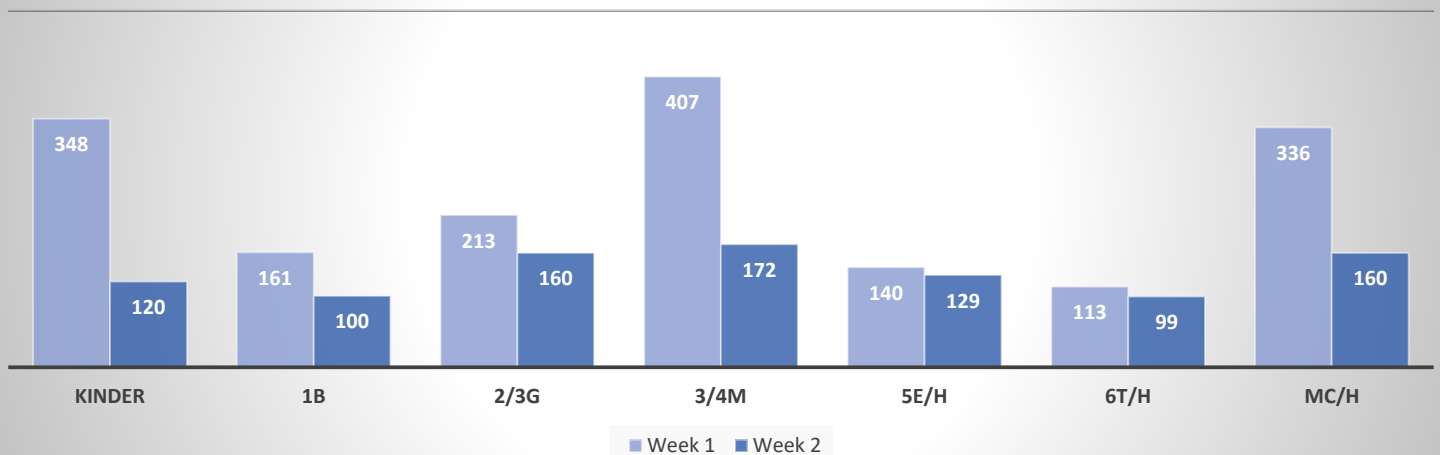
Congratulations Kate and well done Year 5!



WAR ON WASTE

We have begun our War on Waste project and Year 6 are leading the way. They were the class with the least amount of waste in the first week and again in the 2nd. Below is a graph showing the results from the first 2 weeks and we are hoping for a continued reduction in our waste over the coming weeks. We will keep you updated as the project goes on.

WAR ON WASTE RESULTS - WEEK 1 & 2



STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT Kindergarten



Kirra McGovern

Kirra displays a positive outlook and attitude in all areas of school life. She co-operates well with her peers and is kind and helpful. Kirra is a resilient student who makes our classroom a brighter place. She willingly participates in all learning activities. Kirra is a delightful member of Kindergarten and a pleasure to teach.

Well done Kirra!!

PBL

Our students have been introduced to PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) with an assembly that included a video made by our students and staff, small skits created by students and a detailed explanation of our PBL values which are Respect, Responsibility, Honesty and Empathy.

PBL is an evidence-based school-wide approach for behaviour. This system teaches behavioural expectations, as part of a social learning curriculum across the whole school. PBL supports both academic and behavioural learning for all students, creating a positive school environment. A main focus of PBL is on the prevention of problem behaviours and teaching students more appropriate behaviours through clear expectations and consequences.

Temora West Public School is committed to creating a safe environment where students value learning and respect the rights of themselves and others.

Why do we do PBL?

- Students respond positively as they have been taught what is expected of them
- Staff deliver consistent responses to student learning and behaviour
- Unproductive and challenging behaviour can be significantly reduced for most students.

How does PBL work?

- Rules and expectations for behaviour are very clearly set out for each area of the school and will be visible, in the form of signs and symbols in classrooms and out in the grounds.
- Staff members are consistent, meaning that processes for managing students who break school rules will be the same right across the school
- School-wide rules and expectations are taught explicitly in the classroom so that all students are aware of the rules across all areas of the school and that they understand what these rules actually mean
- A PBL reward system has been established where students receive 'gotcha' cards for displaying any or all of our PBL expectations. Each Friday three 'gotcha' cards are drawn from each class and these students receive a small prize. As a whole school the tickets are collected and when the goal amount of tickets has been reached all students will be involved in a reward session – eg movie in the hall or sport activities of choice.

DIZEY'S CUP NETBALL

Our school was well represented this year with two teams attending the Dizey's Cup Netball Challenge. Two mixed 5/6 Girl's teams attended the fun day where they played against St Anne's and Temora Public School. The Dizey's Cup Challenge was formed several years ago as a way of celebrating and remembering Dianne Boom who made a significant contribution to netball in Temora and consequently had the Boom Netball Complex named in her honour. This is where the challenge took place on a newly resurfaced set of netball courts. The girls thoroughly enjoyed the day coming away with a few wins and a few losses each but most importantly they had fun and continued the tradition of remembering Dizey.

STATE ATHLETICS

All the best to Mia Tiedemann who is attending State Athletics in Sydney today. We look forward to hearing how she goes in Shotgun. We will have an update for the next newsletter.



KINDERGARTEN

