# Temora West PUBLIC SCHOOL PUBLIC SCHOOL THE SCRIBBLY GUM

#### Term 3 Week 2 2019

#### **Principal's Report**

Despite the cold and unsettled weather, the students have returned this term full of enthusiasm and ready to learn. It is wonderful to see classrooms full of happy and busy students. This term is 10 weeks in duration and is packed full of activities and special events.

Tonight many of our students will join with students from Temora PS and Temora HS for the annual 'Temora's Got Talent' extravaganza. This event showcases the many creative talents of our students as well as the hard work that teachers put into preparing them for such events. Students from the Choir, Dance and Girl Drummer group will perform tonight. As mentioned in the note sent home last week, this event is being held at Temora High School and commences at 6.00 pm. Students are to report to their teachers on the eastern side of the MPU from 5.45 pm.

Tomorrow, we will induct our recently elected Semester 2 class SRC Representatives. Our ceremony will commence at 12.35 pm in the hall. Elected students received a special invitation for members of their family to attend.

Next week, NSW public Schools will celebrate Public Education Week - 'Every Student, Every Voice'. We will celebrate our many achievements on Tuesday 6 July with an Open Day and special assembly. An invitation was sent home recently inviting you all to our activities including the Grandparent's Morning tea (11:15am), Assembly (12.00 pm), BBQ Luncheon (1.10 pm) and Book Fair (opens at 11.15 am and again at lunch).

This term we have noticed that some students are arriving at school extremely early. Parents/ caregivers are reminded that morning supervision does not formally commence until 8.45 am and that, where possible, students should not be at school before this time. We understand that one or two of the buses are early each day and from time to time children need to be dropped at school earlier than usual. Students arriving early are to sit in the quadrangle until the bell goes. Executive Staff will monitor the playground prior to the 8.45 am bell.

This year to celebrate the 2019 'Reading is my Super Power!' Book Week, we will be holding a Book Parade where students can come dressed as a character from a favourite book, so start getting creative!



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FESTIVAL OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC- SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE

After many many months of rehearsals and fine tuning their recorder skills, the big concert day finally arrived. Last night 16 Temora West students formed part of the 500 stong contingent of recorder players to perform 3 songs in the Sydney Opera House. Mrs Smart has been working each morning with them to perfect their songs and they are to be commended on their persistence in learning the pieces as one was guite a difficult song. Mrs Smart reported that it was absolutely amazing and she was so proud of them all. They were also able to fit in some exploring time early on Wednesday morning around the beach near the accommodation which was exciting. Thank you again to the parents for allowing your children to be part of this experience and supporting them throughout the year. Thank you to Mrs Smart for her time and patience with the students. Without your help they would not have been able to play at the Opera House this year. Thank you also to Mrs Connolly and Mrs Weckert for their support on the excursion. We look forward to hearing some of the pieces they played in the weeks ahead.





#### TEMORA WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

#### CALENDAR

WEEK 2		
Thur	1st Aug	FIOM students travel home
Thur	1st Aug	Temora's Got Talent @ Temora High School at 5:45pm
Fri	2nd Aug	SRC Induction Assembly- 12:35pm in School Hall
WEEK 3		
Mon	5th Aug	Recorders in Wagga for EDUCATION WEEK Opening Ceremony
Tues	6th Aug	Education Week Open Day + Book Fair
Wed	7th Aug	Girls Soccer - Wagga
Thur	8th Aug	Fun Fair- School Grounds
Fri	9th Aug	Choir Performance in Young
Fri	9th Aug	Zone Athletics Temora
UPCOMING- WK 4		

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Thur 15th Aug 1B Rural Museum Excursion

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Temora Shire Arts Council Presents

The Music Marathon

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August from 3 – 6 pm at Temora Public School Hall
This a fund rainer for Can Assist and RedKite.

Textest available at the door.
Family: 515

Adult: 510
Child/ Aged Care Resident: 55
Performers:: Free
To perform, or enquiries phone Fran Cahili on 0417 238 599



#### NAIDOC DAY

Last Friday, our school had the privilege of Darren Cooper visiting and teaching us in lieu of Naidoc Week (which was in the holidays). At morning lines, Darren shared the Welcome to Country before entertaining the whole school by playing a piece on his didgeridoo.

After that, every student from Kindergarten to Year 6 was split into three groups. In those three groups, Darren demonstrated how to create a boomerang from scratch before taking each group out to the oval and showing them how to throw a boomerang.

The final stage was demonstrating how to draw Aboriginal symbols and animals on a whiteboard borrowed from a classroom. Darren showed us how to paint on boomerangs and then gifted each child with their very own boomerang to paint and keep. Obviously, we did not throw our boomerangs in the school playground for safety reasons. We saved that joy for our parents at home!

By Alarna Kennedy, Year 6



## **MEERKAT PRODUCTIONS- ROOM ON OUR ROCK**

We were fortunate enough to be able to have a travelling production come up from Melbourne and expose our students to some theatre. They performed a 2019 CBCA (Children's Book Council of Australia) shortlisted picture book titled 'Room on our rock'. This book focused on empathy which relates directly to one of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) values. Students were highly engaged and entertained with some of them lucky enough to be chosen to be involved in the performance.



## **EDUCATION WEEK**

One of the busiest weeks in our school calendar is nearly upon us. Next week (Week 3) we celebrate Education Week. We have lots of activities planned and we always enjoy sharing our beautiful school and the achievements of our students with the community. Tuesday is our Open Day which includes Grandparents' Morning Tea, Book Fair, a Special Assembly followed by a BBQ lunch for parents, caregivers & grandparents. We look forward to seeing everyone there!!

## STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT Principal's Choice

#### **JARYN BREUST**



Jaryn sets a great example in our school. She is always responsible and respectful and aims to produce high quality work. She is kind to others and is a great friend to everyone! She is so keen, she always wants to work on her in-class assignments at home as well as at school. She is a great dancer and always creative!

Well done Jaryn!!



Miss 1 day each week = 1 Term each year = 1 ½ years by the end of Yr 6 = 2 ¾ years by the end of Yr 12 It's not OK to be away!





#### SRC INDUCTION ASSEMBLY

Our Semester 2 SRC Leaders will be inducted at a special assembly held in the School Hall tomorrow, Friday 2nd August at 12:35pm. Congratulations to those students who have been chosen by their classmates to lead them for the remainder of the year. The incoming SRC Leaders are:

Kindergarten	Cooper Fernance & Molly O'Keefe
Year 1B	Benji Goodfellow & Ava Baldry
Year 2/3G	Jake Anderson & Hannah Smetana
Year 3/4M	Austin Gibson & Hayley McKinnon
Year 5E/H	Charlie Lowes & Chloe Morris
Year 6T/H	Yorissa Byrnes & Isobel Chessor
MC/H	Eva Nicholson

#### WELCOME MRS PAVERT

We were delighted to have Mrs Pavert join our school staff towards the end of Term 2. Mrs Pavert is here on Mondays and will be taking Library lessons for the students. She will also be coordinating the Book Fair next week so make sure you say hello and give her a warm welcome.

## **TEMORA'S GOT TALENT**

Tonight, several of our students will perform at the Temora High School in Temora's Got Talent. The girl drummers, choir, recorder players and dance groups will perform during the concert. This is a great opportunity for us to showcase what talented students we have here at Temora West.

## **BOOK CLUB**

Just a reminder that the most recent edition of Book Club is due back Tuesday, 6th August.

## **GIRLS SOCCER**

Next week our Girls Soccer Team will travel to Wagga to play against South Wagga Public School. They are being coached by Mr Harrison. We wish them the best of luck and look forward to hearing how they go.



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## CLASS SUMMARIES - TERM 3

- This term we are looking at the concept of time. We will study past,
  present and future and how the world has changed. Time can be
  celebrating a special occasion, how long it takes to complete an activity,
  a measuring system and even rhythm and time with music and dance.
  Our Literacy lessons will take a look at Fairy Tales, Nursery Rhymes and
  fractured Fairy Tales, the students will think imaginatively and creatively
  about what makes a story interesting and as a class write our own. Time
  will also feature in our Social Skill lessons, we will learn about using time
  wisely, being in the right place at the right time, being punctual and
  how we can use out time to help others. We celebrated NADOC day
  by watching Darren Cooper craft a boomerang and decorate it with
  traditional Aboriginal art on Friday Week 1. As a class we will continue to
  learn about the Dreamtime and Aboriginal art and Aboriginal tales. We
  look forward to an exciting and creative term ahead.



**KINDERGARTEN** 

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope that everyone had a fun-filled and relaxing break. Kindergarten are looking forward to an exciting and rewarding Term. Students will continue to consolidate their knowledge of sounds, blends, letter formation, writing and reading skills. Thank you so much to parents for supporting your child's reading development. As you are aware 'Engine room' books are sent home at least twice a week. It makes such a difference if you listen to your child read each night as this helps build their fluency and confidence.

In Mathematics, we are consolidating and developing strategies to add two numbers together and subtract numbers effectively.

In Science, we will be looking at the topic 'Material World'. This unit focuses on the observable properties of materials and how they can be used for making useful products. In Geography, students will be learning about 'People living in Places', why places are special and how people care for them.

Kindergarten will perform an item in Week 6 – I look forward to seeing you there.

Any questions please contact me via the office. Kindergarten are a beautiful class and all students are moving forward in a positive direction with their learning. It's going to be an amazing Term!

Year 5

Term 3 should be an exciting term! In Writing, we will tackle poetry, emailing, letter writing and much more. As a class book study we will be reading and responding to Holes by Louis Sachar and then comparing the book to the movie version at the end of term. In History/Geography we will be consolidating our knowledge of the Gold Rush in preparation for our Year 5 excursion to Hill End Ranch in Term 4. We will continue our Drama lessons in Creative Arts as well as begin Dance! We read every day in class, however, it is a great benefit to all students if they read at home as well. This should be approximately 15-20 minute sessions 4 times a week and could involve a mixture of your child reading to you, you reading to your child or independent reading of a book at their level. New Booker Clubs will be sent home this term and are also available at the office. Please sign this each night your child reads at home so they can receive awards for their home reading :) We have settled back into learning routines in 1B and are making great progress in English and Maths already. This term we are reading Fairy Tales in our whole class English sessions and are using them as models for our imaginative writing. We are also creating our own drama activities based on the fairy tales and using them to discuss ways of keeping safe. In Maths we have begun representing 3 digit numbers, using number lines and investigating money transactions. In History we will be considering evidence of the past in our present lives and discovering ways in which buildings and items from the past have been modified for use in today's world. A major focus for this term is keeping our work attractive and our handwriting neat, while our PBL objective is to learn to speak respectfully.

I am looking forward to another productive and exciting term and it's
 fantastic to see most parents have joined our class Dojo incentive and
 messaging app.

- $^ullet$  This term in geography we are studying National Parks and will look at  $\check{}$
- $^ullet$  a range of issues relating to state and national parks including: what
- and where they are, why we have them, the natural environment,
- responsible behaviour in national parks, Aboriginal perspectives on
   the natural environment, the roles and responsibilities of national
- park workers, and national park management.

 We will be visiting Atlina Wildlife Park at Darlington Point later in the e term.

During English we are focusing on Information Reports and will write informative and explanations on threatened flora and fauna species.

• Our class text, is 'How to Train your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell.

Homework continues to include spelling activities and a maths sheet
relating to the topic of the week. Also, at least fifteen minutes of
reading. Students can also log onto Mathletics in order to reinforce
concepts or to challenge themselves with games, other students or
learning their times tables. Our Assembly is Friday Week 5 at 12:35pm.
Hope to see you there!



• Term 3 has well and truly arrived for Year 6! We have been busily organising our term due to many of our class heading to Sydney this week for the Festival of Instrumental Music. Our seven students in the school recorder consort have been perfecting the three songs they have been learning with Mrs Smart. They are: 'Bluz For Suz', 'Three Brothers' and 'Simple Gifts'. Needless to say, we have some very excited soon-to-be-travellers who can't wait to perform at The Opera House.

The Girls' School Drummers will return and perform at Temora's Got Talent next Thursday evening, as well as two of our dance troupes. Our class' Monique Weckert, Kianna Whyburn, Maya Connolly and Jaryn Breust will perform their gorgeous rendition of Andra Day's 'Rise Up'.

In Week 3, our class will be running our school's first ever studentled Fun Fair at Lunch time. In small groups, member of our class have created stalls (such as Photo Booth, Healthy Treats Stall and Giant Ball Soccer) for every child from K-5. It has been exciting to see our students planning every step of this journey, from learning about financial literacy through to working highly effectively in collaborative teams.

We are soon to start rehearsing for our end of year play and cannot wait to get our teeth into our academic studies.