

Temora West

Public School

THE SCRIBBLY GUM



Term 1 Week 8 2020

Principal's Report

Harmony Day

Harmony Day is usually celebrated on 21 March and symbolises our willingness to accept people from different cultures into our country. The ongoing theme is, "Everyone Belongs". Harmony Day is represented by the colour orange. This year Temora West School will celebrate Harmony Day in Term 2 when we hope to invite our community.

PBL

When PBL is implemented well, teachers and students have more time to focus on relationships and classroom instruction.

Students and staff benefit from:

- reduced problem behaviour
- increased time focused on instruction
- improved social-emotional wellbeing
- positive and respectful relationships among students and staff
- better support for teachers to teach, model and respond effectively to student needs
- a predictable learning environment where staff and students know what is expected to deliver effective practices that can be sustained over time.

Our Values are: Respect, Responsibility Empathy and Honesty

Cybersafety workshops for students, staff and parents

We have the opportunity to book an exceptional presenter, Kirra Pendergast, the Director of Safe on Social Media, who delivers engaging workshops across all classes from Year 1 to Year 6. Topics cover on line stranger danger, keeping personal information private, cyberbullying, and sharing photos. There are also Parent and Staff sessions in the evening which deliver a very informative and powerful message on the positive ways to use social media and what to do if cyberbullying occurs. We will let you know as soon as possible when we can book this presenter for the benefit of students, teachers and parents.

Uniforms

At the P&C last week there were some questions about uniforms as it wasn't clear when students wear their sports uniform. It will be easier this year as Sport is on Tuesday and every other day students wear their uniform- see picture of summer uniform. This is for everyone except the Year 6 who have their new shirt and can wear black shorts.

Fete

The whole school would like to thank the fete organisers for their hard work in beginning to get the Fete up and running! Its such a shame that we had to cancel it after everything you did to organise it; however, we still have the fete Art Auction and the raffle.

Toni



CRICKET SUCCESS

Well done to our boy's cricket team on their success in winning against Young Public's School last Friday. It was a very exciting game with our team bowling/fielding very well, keeping Young to 97 runs. Charlie L set the scene with the first ball of the day bowling and catching their opening batter. Not long after the next wicket fell this time through the accurate bowling of Aidan E. Tight fielding by the entire team and fantastic bowling with few sundries kept the boys in the hunt for the win.

Opening batter Charlie L was dismissed for a duck after some very slick fielding by the Young side hitting the stumps from quite a distance out and on a very tight angle. Clancy M joined opening batter Aidan E and together they played some great shots staying at the crease for a majority of the game. They ran between the wickets very well and when their confidence grew they began to find the boundary hitting some 4's. Clancy was caught and dismissed for 25 runs leaving Aidan (35 runs) and Lachlan R to finish out the game with some awesome batting. Congratulations to the entire team made up of Year 3 to Year 6 students, some playing their first game of cricket ever and some who play weekly. Their sportsmanship, encouragement for each other and behaviour was fantastic. Thank you Mrs Gerhard for taking the boys and Tom D for scoring. A big thank you must go out to Pat Robinson who gave up his work day to umpire the game for the school. We truly appreciate your efforts and thank you for helping out with the running of the team on the day also. The team progress to the next round of the knockout if it goes ahead pending the COVID-19 updates.

Well Done !!

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COVID-19 UPDATE

The Department of Education are sending updates regularly in regards to the COVID-19 pandemic. Below is a summary of the latest update relevant to our school:

Stay home if you are sick

The health and safety of our students and staff is paramount. If you are unwell with respiratory illness, you should remain at home until symptoms resolve and, where appropriate, seek advice from a medical practitioner (and call ahead first). Remember to also clean your hands thoroughly for at least 20-seconds with soap and water and cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.

Activities and events

All major Arts, Sports and Initiative activities and events will temporarily be ceased until further notice. This includes whole school sporting events and inter-school events involving three or more schools.

Local inter-school sport and other activities can proceed, but we ask organisers to ensure that as best as possible, reasonable precautions are taken.

School excursions

All school excursions outside of your school's local community should be cancelled until further notice.

Please note, NSW Health has advised that no groups of students should visit aged care facilities or attend other facilities in the local community (e.g. hospitals) where there are elderly people or people with underlying health conditions.

What's on Your Hands?
You'll never forget to wash 'em again.

WASHING HANDS
95% of us DO IT WRONG!

STEP 1 Place hands under running water. (Cold or hot—it doesn't matter.)

STEP 2 Scrub hands for 20 seconds—about as long as it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice.

STEP 3 Wash away the soap.

STEP 4 Use a clean towel or air dryer.

THE NUMBERS

- 150** kinds of bacteria that live on hands
- 1,000,000** germs that would be prevented each year if everyone washed their hands
- 24** hours a cold virus can live on your desk
- 22 MILLION** school days students miss each year due to the common cold

When should you wash your hands?

BEFORE eating or cooking

AFTER using the bathroom

sneezing, blowing your nose, or coughing

being around someone sick

touching a pet or other animal

WRITE IT Write a short public service announcement for your school about the importance of

MRS DERRICK

We were deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Mrs Marrelyn Derrick. Mrs Derrick was the School Admin Officer and was the longest serving staff member to date at Temora West. She worked in our school from 1987-2015 where she was a highly valued staff member and a great friend. We extend our deepest sympathy to Marrelyn's family and know she will be greatly missed. Some staff will be attending Marrelyn's Funeral Service on Monday but students will not be affected by this, it will be school as normal.



FETE

It is with great disappointment that our P & C announced in light of the recent COVID-19 pandemic that the annual school fete will be cancelled for 2020. We thank the organisers and parents who have worked tirelessly thus far and we hope that it will run again in 2021.

Our Monster Raffle and Art Auctions are still going ahead regardless and we would appreciate if our school community could get behind these two things by selling as many raffle tickets as they can to community members, family and friends. The P & C have added an option to buy raffle tickets online and the details are below if you would like to consider that option.

You can follow these easy steps:

1. Make a deposit:

Name- TWPS P&C Raffle Account

BSB - 802-367

ACCT - 1000 10719

2. Include your full name and mobile number in the reference. (Alternatively you can send the Temora West P & C Facebook Page a private message stating your details).

3. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 (Please deposit amounts that are multiples of 2 or 5).

The Class Art Auctions will also go ahead in some capacity but more details will become available as the committee makes a decision on how they will proceed with this.

FESTIVAL OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC RECORDER GROUP

We have just had notification that as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Festival of Instrumental Music has been suspended until further notice. We will send out more detailed information about how these decisions will impact our upcoming Festival as soon as it becomes available to the students affected. In the meantime, the students are encouraged to continue learning the music so they are competent should it go ahead at a later date. Selections for the group will go ahead with Mr Brooker next week as we can only take 16 students and we have 22 interested.

STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT MC- Samuel B



Sam has had a fantastic start to the 2020 school year! He has been a valued member of the 2/3T classroom until lunch time and participates in lessons in the MC room of an afternoon.

Sam is kind to his peers and often gives words of encouragement before they attempt something new.

His attitude towards his learning has been positive this year and we enjoy his quirky sense of humour.

Well done Sam!

FAREWELL MISS EVANS

We farewelled Miss Evans last Friday with a lovely morning tea as she takes Maternity Leave in preparation for the arrival of her first child. We send our best wishes to her and her partner Jake and we look forward to sharing the exciting news when the baby arrives.

We will miss having you around the school.



GWS AFL VISIT

We were very fortunate to have had several Greater Western Sydney AFL players visit our school in Week 7. They spoke to the students about the life of an AFL player and all about the game they play.

Charlie L said 'They were very inspiring and they taught us lots of stuff about AFL.'

Bryce S said 'They all play for the Giants, they won their trial game the weekend before they came here.' When the boys were asked if it made them want to try AFL, they both replied 'sort of.' We appreciate the Giants visiting our school and giving an insight in to their AFL careers. By all reports, the students thoroughly enjoyed listening to them.

PSSA SOCCER TRIALS

Congratulations to our soccer players who trialled in Cootamundra in Week 6. It was very wet underfoot after lots of rain in the days leading up to trials however they did an amazing job in tough conditions. Congratulations to Pypah A, Hayley McK, Rachael D, Kate P and Syke W for progressing to the next level of girls trials. Well done to our boys Seth B, and Braydon S for their effort also, unfortunately they did not progress but we are super proud of them for having a go! An e-mail came from the organiser of the trials saying the skill level, quality of play, sportsmanship and attitude displayed by each child was excellent which makes us very proud. With the COVID-19 pandemic at present, all trials have been put on hold so we will inform these students and parents when the next trials will be held if at all depending on advice from the Department.



RIVERINA SWIMMING

Well done to Clancy M on his recent swim at the Riverina Swimming Carnival in Albury last week. Clancy placed 11th out of 24 competitors in his breakstroke event. This will be his last opportunity to represent Temora West School for Swimming as moves on to high school next year.

Congratulations Clancy!

RUGBY CLINICS FOR SPORT

This week in sport Tom and Rhianna from SIRU travelled to our school to teach the students about Rugby Union and run some clinics. These clinics will continue for the remainder of the term during sport as a part of Sporting Schools Grant.

'They taught us how to pass the ball and we played a couple of fun games. One of the highlights was the the dances they taught us when you get a try,' Bryce and Charlie said. We look forward to seeing their skills improve over the coming weeks.



2020 School Cricket Team



MC ROOM



Sam



Eva



Callie

