# Temord West Empowering PUBLIC SCHOOL Our students to reach their full potential

# THE SCRIBBLY GUM

Term 1 Week 6 2020



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

The whole school participated in activities and an assembly to celebrate the beginning of Reconciliation Week. Even though it was cold everyone had a great day. The students were involved in face painting, murals, footprints, dance and stories! They wore RED, BLACK and YELLOW (if they could) to represent the Aboriginal colours on the flag.

The theme for Reconciliation Week 2020 is 'In this together'. This is now resonating in ways we could not have foreseen when it announced it last year, but it reminds us whether in a crisis or in reconciliation we are all in this together.

How important is Resilience? The school years present children with countless challenges, setbacks, failures, and general difficulties. Resilient children withstand the pressures that school provides more effectively than children who are not resilient. Resilience is being able to 'bounce back' from difficult times, setbacks, and other significant challenges. It includes being able to deal effectively with pressure, and get through tough times with good outcomes. We believe it's very important to develop resilience and our school program, 'PBL,' helps develop emotional resilience. More importantly parents play a substantial role in the development of resilience in their children.

Our School Captains Clancy and Rommy have had a quiet year so far; however, yesterday gave them a chance to run the assembly- which they did with confidence!

Our reports this year will be 2 pages (back to back). It will consist of literacy and mathematics comments and then a general comment. There will also be an attendance record and the table you are used to that has attitudes and activities. All public schools are simplifying half yearly reports due to the COVID-19 lockdown. Many students were able to continue learning online but many couldn't. The teachers will ring you at the end of the term instead of organising the three way interviews as we normally do.

Importantly we have paired back the curriculum to ensure that all students are getting explicit teaching in maths and literacy so that they can catch up if needed

Bikes- We have had a number of incidents where bikes have been a problem either students not riding safety or causing damage to other children's bikes. We want everyone to enjoy riding to school but they must do so safely and to damage another's bike is disappointing. We will liaise with the police to see if they can help.

Teachers will begin contacting you for interviews during week 10. If you don't hear from them for some reason, ring the school.

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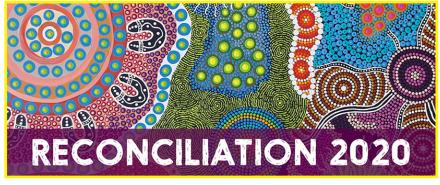
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#### **RECONCILIATION DAY**

An assembly and cultural activities were held yesterday to recognise Reconciliation Day and information was shared on what reconciliation means. The theme for National Reconciliation Week 2020 was 'In this together'. Staff coordinated many fun activities for the students including face painting, mural painting, Aboriginal song/dance, football and footprint colouring



### TEMORA WEST

#### **CALENDAR**

WEEK 7

Mon 8 June Public Holiday NO SCHOOL TODAY

Wed 10 June P & C Meeting- Library 7pm

Wed 10 June School Council Meeting -

Library 5:30pm

WEEK 8

Wed 17 June Book Club Orders Due





Mrs Smart painting Holly's foot for the wall mural

#### RIVERINA MURRAY DROUGHT TASK GROUP

The impacts of drought are far from over and Covid 19 and the recent bushfires are adding further stress.

For information on support and services in NSW connect with Service NSW, at www.service.nsw.gov.au or call 13 77 88.

Farmers will also find www.droughthub.nsw.gov.au or www.farmhub.org. au have technical information with links to support and services, or you can call the southern Rural Financial Counselling service on 1800 319 458.

Mental health services in the Riverina Murray region can be accessed by calling 1800 931 603 for referrals or 1800 800 944 in a crisis.



#### **CANTEEN REOPENED**

The school canteen has reopened this week. Please remember that we are unable to accept reusable lunch bags for the time being however white(lunch bags) and brown(recess) bags are available to purchase at the office for \$1.00/20 bags.

#### PRESENTATION DAY BOOK VOUCHERS

If students have book vouchers they wish to use from Presentation Day 2019, they will be expiring soon so please make sure they are redeemed. The current issue of Book Club is due Wednesday 17 June. The book vouchers are NOT able to be redeemed online, the orders will have to be handed in to the office.

#### **BIKES**

It is really important that students DO NOT TOUCH other students bikes that are in the stands at school. Staff on duty monitor the area during lunch and recess times however we would like you to speak with your children about this issue also. It is not acceptable for anyone's bike or belongings to be tampered with and if anyone is found to be touching them, they will be disciplined accordingly and be responsible for the cost of fixing the damage. We will be liasing with police if we need to.



Kindergarten/Year 1 students learning about height in Maths

# STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT Principal Choice



Haylee Schmidt

Haylee has been a wonderful help to the younger students in the playground since our return to school. She is very kind and displays all of our PBL values particularly Responsibility!

Well done Haylee!

#### PBL AWARDS WEEK 5-6

K/1 H	Kirra McG
	Ruby R
	NODY N
1/2 B	Georgia B
. /	Ella Mc
	LIIG MIC
2/3 T	Lillie-Rose C
	Tristan D
	IIIsidii D
3/4 M	Pandora P
•	Pusham C
	1 osham C
5/6 G	Ashloigh T
3/0 3	Ashleigh T
	Aidan E
5/6 R	Jake R
	Pypah A





Reconciliation Day Assembly + PBL Awards

#### **BORAMBOLA**

It seems too early in the year to be talking about the Year 6 Borambola Excursion; however notes were sent home last week. The date has been moved forward due to the inability to book our usual time slot with Covid 19 pushing present bookings to the end of the year. If parents have not seen this note yet, please check with your child as the deposit is due soon.

#### **NAPLAN**

During the COVID 19 crisis, the Department of Education decided that they would cancel NAPLAN testing for 2020. This means that our students in years 3 and 5 will not sit NAPLAN testing this year.

#### **TREES**

During the school holidays an arborist will be removing some trees around the grounds due as they have been deemed unsafe. We will continue planting more trees to replace these ones so that our grounds are beautiful and shady for future students.

#### INITIALIT

Mrs Brodie, Mrs Heinjus and Ms Meers are training in a new program called InitiaLit. This program is aimed at students in the first three years of school. It is an evidence-based whole class literacy program providing all students with the essential core knowledge and strong foundations to become successful readers and writers. It is really encouraging to see our staff continually learning and particiapting in new and evolving programs to get the best outcome for all students in our school.

#### **GET WELL ARTHUR**

We send our best wishes to Mr Dunn for a speedy recovery from his illness. We look forward to seeing you back around our school very soon.





## Reconciliation Day at TWPS







