

Temora West

Empowering our students to reach their full potential

PUBLIC SCHOOL

THE SCRIBBLY GUM

Term 3 Week 8 2020

Principal's Report

Premier's Sporting Challenge

This year's version of the Premier's Sporting Challenge has begun at Temora West. Our Year 6 students are working in small groups to set up fun challenges and activities for all the classes each Friday. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are not going out as a whole group this year, with the activities being set up in the morning and each class having an allocated timeslot to go out and get active! Thanks to the Year 6 boys and girls for showing initiative, organisation and leadership in setting up this sport program for all students and staff!

Let There Be Music!

With current restrictions also preventing the playing of any wind instruments at school, our creative music tutor Mark has come up with some alternatives which our music groups are really enjoying! The students have been using boomwackers, which are colour-coded, plastic tubes tuned to musical pitch by their length. They are a lot of fun and our music students have progressed quickly over the past few weeks to the point of now being able to play parts of popular songs. Keep up the great effort boys and girls!

PBL Signage

We are in the process of designing and costing new Positive Behaviour for Learning signs for all areas of our school. Our PBL flags, featuring each of our school values – Respect, Responsibility, Honesty & Empathy, already fly beautifully out on the grass area. The new signs will add to this and feature key reminders and images to keep the expectations for each area of the school 'top of mind' for our students. Local business, Irvine Signs, are working in partnership with us on this project and we are proud to support local businesses when making improvements to our school.

Tell Them From Me – Parent Survey

This survey is an important opportunity for parents to have their say and give us some feedback about aspects of teaching and learning at Temora West. The link provided on the next page will give you access to the online form. We would really appreciate it if as many parents as possible could complete the survey as it gives us valuable information on how we are going and is used when considering our future directions and planning.

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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

We would like to wish all our Dad's a belated Happy Father's Day! Although sadly we were unable to celebrate with our traditional Father's Day bacon and egg roll brekkie before school, we certainly hope they were spoiled by their families on Sunday. Hopefully next year we will be able to get our traditional breakfast and Father's Day Stall up and running again.



CALENDAR

WEEK 8

Fri 11 Sept Walk Safely to School Day

WEEK 9

Tues 15 Sept SRC Skipping Day

Wed 16 Sept School Council Meeting
5:30pm Council Chambers

Wed 16 Sept P & C Meeting -**CANCELLED**

UPCOMING

Thur 24 Sept PBL Rewards/Sports Day

Fri 25 Sept Last Day of Term 3

TERM 4

Mon 12 Oct SCHOOL RETURNS FOR
STUDENTS- No Staff
Development Day

P & C MEETING

The P & C Meeting for September has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday, 14th October 2020.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

We ask you to please take the time to complete the following 'Tell them from me' Survey. It only takes approx 15 minutes to complete and is a valuable tool for our school to understand parent/carer perspectives about Temora West. This survey can be filled in online by using the link below!

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/twps>

GARDENS

The garden beds are looking amazing!! Mr Macauley and Miss T along with Year 2/3T have been very busy getting seedlings planted ready for the growing season and hopefully the return of our market garden stall. We have some very keen gardeners who love tending to the gardens and watching them grow.



ICAS ASSESSMENTS

ICAS- (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) Assessments are designed to recognise academic excellence. Students are assessed on their ability to apply classroom learning to new contexts using higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills. These assessments are optional and incur a fee of \$15.95 per test. They will be sat between Monday 12 October and Friday 23 October 2020. If you wish for your child/ren to participate, please fill in the note that was sent home on Monday with students and include the payment for each test. The closing date for payment is Thursday 24 September 2020. If you wish to further discuss payment options please call the office to arrange on 02 6977 1889.

SCHOOL HATS & LOST PROPERTY

Whilst the 'no hat, play in the shade' policy doesn't begin until Term 4, we strongly advise students to start wearing their hats again as it is getting warm very quickly.

Our lost property box is overflowing! If you are missing items of clothing or lunch boxes etc, please get the students to check the box ASAP. Any items that have been labelled will be returned to the owner, however; clothing that is unclaimed will be washed and added to the clothing pool at the end of the Term.

SCHOOL LEADERS TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETING

Although it has been a little while coming, the School Leaders finally have the opportunity to gather with School Council Members at the Council Chambers next week to discuss a variety of topics relating to their leadership roles and things they would like to see happen in the Temora Shire. We look forward to hearing some of their ideas and if any of the students have suggestions, I'm sure the leaders would be very willing to pass these on during their meeting.



STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT Pusham C- 3/4M



Pusham is a conscientious and popular member of 3/4M. She has a strong commitment to learning, identifies her challenges and finds ways to improve her goals. Pusham is dependable, well-mannered, and empathetic. She is exhibiting sound leadership skills. Well done Pusham, and stay friendly and positive!
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PBL AWARDS WEEKS 6-7

MC/M	Sam B Eva N	Eva N Callie P
K/1 H	Rhyder N Grace Y	Elizabeth M Alexis S
1/2 B	Elsie H Georgia B	Belle W Ella McK
2/3 T	Archer H Makenzie M	Hunter McD Peyton H
3/4 M	Indy W Amarlie McK	Pusham C Corey R
5/6 G	Ashleigh T Rachael D	Charlie L Ashleigh T
5/6 R	Rommy W Colby T	Lachlan R Rommy W



WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Tomorrow is National Walk Safely to School Day! Now in its 21st year, National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is an annual event when all Primary School children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a Community Event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment. If students wish to be involved please meet at the corner of Lawson Road and Vesper Street at 8:45am. From there they will talk about road safety and walk to school together.

SRC SKIPPING DAY

The SRC Skipping day has been changed to Tuesday 15th September. It was set down for this Tuesday, however; Rugby clinics continued for an extra week which has meant a push back for the skipping day. Notes have been sent home with information today. Students are invited to wear red clothing and bring a gold coin donation. Photos will be included in the next Newsletter.

LEAGUE TAG COMPETITION UPDATE

The League Tag competition is still being played at lunchtimes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday's. Some slight adjustments were made which meant we are back to three teams. This competition will finish up at the end of Week 10. The final ladder placings will be included in the next Newsletter.

CRICKET

On Tuesday, students were involved an online Cricket zoom session with Tanveer Sangha and Arjun Nair, both from the Sydney Thunder. They spoke briefly about cricket and answered questions the students had. This session coincided with the beginning of the cricket season in our district and registrations are now open. Head to playcricket.com.au and search Temora to register for free with your Active Kids vouchers!

SOCIAL MEDIA

It is a very important that everyone is aware of their responsibilities when using social media. We have had a few issues recently with students and social media and it is vital they understand that when they choose to use these media platforms they are responsible for everything they send, post or respond to.

We will be hosting Kirra Pendergast - Safe on Social Media founder early next year pending Covid-19, however; we strongly advise parents/carers to join in on the Temora High School online webinar on Tuesday, September 22 at 6 pm in the mean time. Ms Pendergast is a fantastic presenter and having been to her talks previously, we highly recommend listening in as you will be very amazed and possibly shocked at some of the content.

When it is safe to do so, we will host Ms Pendergast at our school and we are in the process of trying to organise a Community Session for adults also.

YEAR 3/4 M

