

Temora West

Public School

THE SCRIBBLY GUM

Term 4 Week 4 2022



Principal's Report

World Teacher Day

Last Friday we celebrated World Teacher Day at The West with a delicious Morning Tea for all staff. In what has been a truly challenging year for all in our school community, our teachers have been at the centre of keeping the learning constant and taking on various roles to support our students in amongst staffing shortages and continued disruptions. Thanks to each and every one of our teachers for the work you have done and continue to do which helps make our school the welcoming and supportive environment it is for our students and families.

Parent Survey

The annual Tell Them From Me Survey for parents is available to complete with details of the link to go to in this newsletter. The survey provides us with valuable information to use towards our forward planning and should only take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Remember to let the office know when you have submitted your responses for your chance to win the \$100 voucher at IGA!

Enrolments for 2023

Overall student numbers have been on the increase this term through both some new and returning students joining us at The West. With healthy numbers now enrolled for Kindergarten 2023 and our successful Kindy Transition Program in its final stages with Miss Colwill, there are positive indications for further growth in student enrolments for next year. School Tours are always a great starting point if you have any family or friends interested in what we have to offer students at our fantastic school.

Best wishes,
Pete Roddy
Principal

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ICAS Results

During week 7 selected primary students took part in The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). ICAS recognises and rewards student achievement in areas such as English, maths, science and digital technologies. Special congratulations to:

- Isaac G on receiving a credit award for English and science.
- Abbey R - credit for English and merit for science.

Congratulations to all students who participated.



English



Science



Digital Technology

CALENDAR

WEEK 4

Friday 4 Nov
Assembly MC

WEEK 5

Monday 7 Nov
Riding for Disabled

Wednesday 9 Nov
Kinder Transition 9.30am-12pm
Year 6 Transition to THS

Friday 11 Nov
Remembrance Day

WEEK 6

Monday 14 Nov
Riding for Disabled
Student Leader Nominations close

Wednesday 16 Nov
Year 6 Transition to THS
Yr 5 Canberra Excursion, depart

Thurs 17 Nov
Yr 5 Canberra Excursion
Beach to Bush Program

Friday 18 Nov
Year 5 Canberra Excursion
Assembly 1/2 B

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 21 Nov
Year 2 Intensive Swimming - 2 week program begins

Wednesday 30 Nov- Friday 2 Dec
Year 6 Borambola Excursion

Thursday 8 Dec
Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Friday 9 Dec
Presentation Day - parents welcome

Friday 16 December
Last day of term



The PosiSchools program is designed by leading wellbeing education and mental health experts and draws on a range of human sciences including wellbeing and learning sciences. PosiSchools provides evidence-based strategies, skills, and knowledge that help students navigate life more effectively. The content is designed to be adaptable for students with varying capabilities and challenges. The best part of all is the program will be delivered at 'The West' this term, starting next week.

Tell Them From Me Survey

Parents are invited to complete our annual survey which provides us with valuable feedback about our school. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and when done, let us know so we can add your name to a draw for a \$100 voucher at IGA. The link to the survey is - <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/thewest>

Aurora College

Applications for placement in Year 7, 2024 for Aurora College open Tuesday 18 October 2022 and close Wednesday 16 November 2022. Aurora College is NSW's virtual school for high potential and gifted students in rural and remote government schools. Our school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and to learn globally. For further information, visit www.aurora.nsw.edu.au or phone 1300 287 629.

Extended Leave

Please be mindful parents are required to complete an 'Extended Leave Form' if students are absent from school for a period of time. The form will need to be approved by the principal for the time away to be deemed as leave. This includes absence from school for family holidays. Please contact the office 1 week prior to departure to request a form.

Attendance Data

92.8%

Attendance Rate

82.2%

Students Attending >=90% of the time

87.2%

DoE State

83.6%

Network

87.6%

SSSG

69.0%

DoE State

64.8%

Network

63.2%

SSSG

World Teachers' Day

World Teacher Day was celebrated on Friday 28 October with a special morning tea for the teachers at Temora West. World Teachers' Day recognises the importance teachers have in their students lives. "Great teachers are at the heart of our schools and have a significant impact on young peoples' lives every day" Ms Mitchell, NSW Minister for Education. Thank you to the teaching staff at Temora West for your contribution to our young peoples lives.



STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT Term 4 Week 2



Jesse is a bubbly student who thrives when learning in 5/6T. His expansive general knowledge keeps our class entertained regularly, with many of us learning new fun facts about animals and the world we live in. Jesse is a gifted artist who creates a continuous stream of artworks that enliven our minds. He is especially clever and creative when drawing characters with superpowers and special abilities. Thank you for trying your best each and every day, Jesse.

Day for Daniel

The playground was a sea of red on Friday 28, in support of the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. Day for Daniel is Australia's largest child safety education and awareness day, honouring the memory of Daniel Morcombe. Thank you to the families who donated to this worthy cause.



SRC Halloween Dress Ups

There were a few spooky characters lurking around the school for Halloween on Monday. The SRC held a dress up day to raise funds for their next project. There were some fantastic costumes. Well done to the creative parents!



PBL AWARDS Week 2 and 3

MC H/W - Sam (x2)

KC - Dusty, Mila, Isla, Ellie - Mae

1/2 B - Logan, Jimmy, Matthew, Louie

3/4 Ma - Abby, Bella, Cooper, Abby

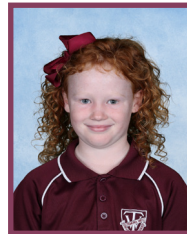
3/4 Me - Jax (x2), Temperance, Rhyder

5/6 T - Lucas, Lillie, Corey, Abbey

5/6 G - Haylee, Lilly, Holly, Tristan

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Empathy

PBL SPECIAL MENTIONS Layla and Kye



Showing empathy towards new students.

STAFF MEMBER OF THE FORTNIGHT

**Mrs Haynes
SLSO**



What was your first job?

Shop Assistant at Roundabout Bakery Temora

Coffee or tea?

Coffee for sure!

Favourite book or movie?

I don't really have a favourite movie but movies like Blended, Pitch Perfect and Meet the Parents always seem to be on high rotation at our place.

A fictional place you would like to visit and why?
Fountain Lakes! How much fun would it be to hang out with Kath & Kim.

Tell us about something that recently made you smile.

Getting to spend time with different students in different classrooms and seeing their achievements makes me smile everyday.

What do you love most about the West?

The friendly staff and students. My first 12 months at The West have been so much fun.

Class in Focus - 5/6 T



Letter to the Hon. Annika Wells MP

Minister for Aged Care
Minister for Sport
Member for Lilley

Last term, 5/6T chose a federal member of parliament to write to. Each student researched a national politician who represents an area that interests them: we talked about aged care, sport, health, indigenous rights, charity, regional interests and climate, to name a few. Every student in our class wrote a personal letter addressing some issues that they wanted more information on. Corey was the first in our class to receive a personalised reply from his chosen Minister, the Hon. Annika Wells. On the day the letter arrived, he was very surprised and our class couldn't believe that such a special response had arrived in the mail! Annika answered several of the questions Corey had asked her. One specific question focussed on if she ever participated in sport herself, to which the Hon. Minister responded that she had helped to start a local Park Run in her hometown of Chermside in Brisbane. Thank you to Minister Wells and the other Ministers who seem to be in the process of responding to our enquiries. Interested students eventually grow into invested adults as we all know!

