

Temora West

Public School

THE SCRIBBLY GUM

Term 4 Week 4 2022



Principal's Report

Staffing Update

On behalf of all of the staff I would like to congratulate Mrs Sue Brodie on her appointment as Assistant Principal - Curriculum & Instruction at Temora West from 2023 onwards. This new role for primary schools involves providing expert knowledge and support for the teaching of literacy and numeracy across K-6. In Mrs Brodie, we have someone with a wealth of knowledge, experience and skill to support both our staff and students in these key learning areas.

We are also now on the lookout for an additional class teacher for 2023. An Expression of Interest has been shared with the school community through Facebook, Skoolbag and will also appear on the Department Job Feed this week. If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining our teaching team for next year, please pass this information on!

Proud & Deadly Awards

Congratulations to Sienna Everson (Outstanding Sport Achievement), Barry Kelly (Encouragement) & Addison Katon (Cultural Engagement) who received awards this week at a K-12 Ceremony at Cootamundra High School. Through our connection with the Cootamundra AECG this year we have been able to engage and learn from other local schools in regard to programs and initiatives to support indigenous education. Having a local awards ceremony to attend is also an added bonus for our students!

Attendance

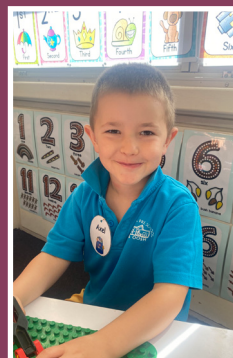
Our current overall attendance rate is pleasing but when we dig a little deeper, the number of students attending at least 90% of the time has slipped below 70% for the first time this term. Be mindful of planning family trips/holidays during designated holiday periods as much as possible – Every Day Counts!

Best wishes,

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Kindergarten Transition



The Kindergarten transition concluded last Wednesday. Ms Colwill did a fantastic job organising a wonderful inclusive transition program. Our new students enjoyed a number of play based learning and craft activities. The students also enjoyed playing in the playground and learning the routines of 'big school' for next year. A reminder to check Best Start times which were sent home, please contact the office if your allocated time does not suit. Best Start will run from 31st January to 3rd February. The first day for Kindergarten will be Monday 6th February. We look forward to welcoming our new friends in the new school year.

CALENDAR

WEEK 6

Friday 18 Nov

Assembly 1/2 B
Canteen CLOSED

WEEK 7

Monday 21 Nov

Yr 2 Intensive Swimming 2 week programme commences

Thursday 24 Nov

ATSI Language Groups - THS
PLP BBQ at Indigenous Gardens, 5pm

Friday 25 Nov

Student Leaders Speeches, 9.30am

WEEK 8

Monday 28 Nov

Intensive Swimming this week

Wednesday 30 Nov

Year 6 Borambola departs

Thursday 1 Dec

Book Club due

Friday 2 Dec

Borambola returns
Scripture Christmas Service

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 8 Dec

Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Friday 9 Dec

Presentation Day, 10am - parents welcome

Sat 10 Dec

Carols in the Park

Friday 16 December

Last day of term

To keep up to date with school events navigate to the school web page and click on the 'parent calendar'.



Students are fortunate at Temora West to have access to the large grassed ovals to enjoy at lunchtime and activities such as the Premiers Sporting Challenge.

Posi Schools

Our wellbeing lessons with Britt have begun for this term and all students have been given a pair of Posi socks to wear! The idea of the socks is to start the day off 'On the right foot' with positive messages and mindset to get the most out of every opportunity. The program mentors Ash Barty, Trent Cotchin and Sam Willoughby have all given messages to the students through the online learning portal. We look forward to seeing the students positive habits develop during the 21 day Posi schools Program!



APSMO Maths Games

We would like to congratulate our school's Australian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiads Team for their overall achievements in this year's Maths Games. It has been an enriching and beneficial experience, and a new one for Temora West Public School. Miss Tisdell was very proud of the ways in which students improved over all of the sessions. Way to go, kids!



Cooler Schools

We are very excited to tell you that TWPS now has fully installed and operational Cooler Classrooms equipment, thanks to the NSW government investment of more than \$500 million dollars over five years to improve indoor comfort and air quality in public schools around the state.

Reverse-cycle air conditioning will now keep learning spaces comfortable during hot summers and chilly winters while fans and fresh air ventilation systems maintain healthy air quality.

To increase energy awareness and keep running costs low, smart outdoor weather monitors linked to interactive control systems are installed. These enable students and teachers to make energy efficient decisions to improve classroom comfort.

Solar panels have also been installed to offset annual air conditioning energy usage costs and reduce environmental impact.

By creating healthy and comfortable learning environments at our school, our students can focus on what matters – learning.

STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT

Term 4 Week 6



Emily is always ready for learning and listening for instructions during Science lessons. She is enthusiastic about what we are learning and is able to work independently, as well as in small groups, to carry out investigations. Emily is kind to her peers and supports them when needed to ensure they feel included and safe in the classroom.

Remembrance Day

The school leaders represented Temora West with pride at the Remembrance Day Service on Friday. The captains laid a wreath to honour the armed forces who have fought and died in the line of duty.



Premier Sporting Challenge

The Premiers Sporting Challenge is underway. Each Friday students participate in sporting activities organised and run by the Year 6 students. The program aims to promote increased participation in sport and provide leadership skills through sport organisation and coaching for students.



PBL AWARDS

Week 4 and 5

MC H/W - Clay, Eva

KC - Josie, Jasper, Percy and Dusty

1/2 B - Rhyder, Sophia, Matthew and Grace

3/4 Ma - Bella, Cooper, Georgia and Cooper

3/4 Me - Koby, Belle, Rhyder and Ava B

5/6 T - Isabelle, Beau, Maci and Hannah

5/6 G - Carlyn and Indy

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Empathy

PBL SPECIAL MENTIONS

Alina and Layla



Demonstrating respect towards her fellow school mates.



Helping out others in the playground.

STAFF MEMBER OF THE FORTNIGHT

Mrs Robinson

School Admin Officer (SAO)



What was your first job?

Salon Assistant at New Wave Hair Salon

Coffee or tea?

Coffee

Favourite book or movie?

I don't really have a favourite movie but I enjoy reading about family history.

A fictional place you would like to visit and why?

Fictional is not for me. Although, I think it would be interesting to take a stroll down Temora's main street 100 years ago.

Tell us about something that recently made you smile.

When the sun finally came out after so many wet days.

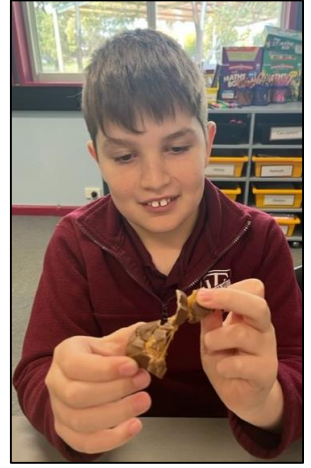
What do you love most about the West?

The extra curricular opportunities available to the students - band, drumming, dance, sporting opportunities, Aurora College and ICAS just to name a few. And of course the large grassed areas for students to play.

Class in Focus - Science



Term 4 Science with Miss Evans Earth & Space



Throughout Term 4, students are learning about planet Earth. So far this term students have already participated in hands-on learning experiences to explore the layers of the Earth, the phases of the moon, tectonic plates, volcanoes, and erosion. Kindergarten especially enjoyed flying a kite as part of their 'Seasonal Changes' unit, where they are learning that the weather affects our activities.