



# The Scribbly Gum

Term 1 Week 11 2024



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Term in Review

We have had an action-packed start to the year, with some of the many highlights during the first term being;

- A visit from Healthy Harold for all students from Year 1-6.
- Our new kindy students beginning their learning journey with us at The West and haven't they settled in so well!
- Another successful TWPS Swimming Carnival which was taken out by the team in red, the Possums, this year!
- SRC 'Positive Pants' Day which saw an array of colours and a snow cone treat for all students.
- Volleyball lessons for all students as part of the 'Sporting Schools' program funded by the Australian Sports Commission.
- New families BBQ to welcome all those new students and parents to our school community.
- Year 3 and 5 students completing their NAPLAN assessments for literacy & numeracy, with results on the way early next term!
- Incursions from 'Music to the Regions' and 'It's a Mad World of Science' for all students K-6.
- Harmony Day celebrations, including 1/2M taking out the K-2 Award in the Temora Council Harmony Week Art Competition!
- The annual SRC 'Easter Hat Parade' which is a crowd favourite and never fails to deliver creative and colourful creations!
- The School Leaders Reception for all the captains of our Temora schools at the council chambers, well done Fay & Emily!

### Happy Holidays

On behalf of all the staff at The West, we hope you have an enjoyable break and take care if travelling during the holiday period. **School resumes for all students on Tuesday, 30th April.**

*Best wishes,*  
*Pete Roddy*  
Principal

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## Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition

On Tuesday morning, Makenzie and Fay presented their speeches to Stage 3, Miss T and Mrs Brodie for the upcoming Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. Both students did a brilliant job with their chosen topics. Makenzie spoke about 'Learning from the past' and Fay enlightened the audience on her view of 'Live together, play together'.



Makenzie and Fay will present their prepared speeches followed by a 2 minute impromptu speech at the Zone finals in the latter part of Term 2. We look forward to hearing the results.

Thank you, Miss T, for organising the competition and mentoring Makenzie and Fay, and to Mrs Brodie for adjudicating. Isaac, Sarah and Imogen also did a wonderful job of leading the session.

## CALENDAR

### Week 11

#### Fri 12 Apr

- Stephen Bleyer Cup
- Last day of term

#### Thurs 25 Apr

- ANZAC Day March, 10.30am  
meet at Temora Police Station

### TERM 2 Week 1

#### Tues 30 Apr

- Students return

#### Fri 3 May

- Cross Country, Nixon Park

### Week 2

#### Tues 7 May

- School netball vs TPS
- GRIP Leadership - selected students

#### Wed 8 May

- Boccia - selected MC students

#### Thurs 9 May

- Zone Cross Country, selected students at Harden

#### Fri 10 May

- Mother's Day Morning Tea, 11.10am
- Walk Safely to School Day

### Reminder

- Order school photos online before Friday 26 April.
- Check School Bytes - permission & payment for Cross Country

To keep up to date with school events navigate to the school web page and click on the ['parent calendar'](#) or ['events'](#)

### P&C News

The P&C held the AGM on Wednesday 13 March.

The 2024 Committee includes: President Louise J, Vice President Alicia G, Treasurer Christine H, Secretary Shontayne W, Vice Secretary Linda R. Parents are welcome to come along and have a say on fundraising ideas and purchases for the school, the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 May.

### Student Leaders Reception

School Captains, Fay and Emily attended the student leaders reception with fellow Temora Shire School Leaders on Friday. Students had the opportunity to partake in question time with Temora Shire Council Mayor Cr Rick Firman, Deputy Mayor Cr Graeme Sinclair and General Manager Ms Melissa Boxall. Students were presented with a special certificate and pen as a memento of their experience at the Council Chambers. Thank you Temora Shire Council for the opportunity given to the next generation of leaders.



### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is popular amongst the students at Temora West, made possible through the generosity of Food Bank Australia. Each day Miss Lynne prepares a variety of breakfast foods which are available for all students. It is proven breakfast is beneficial to improve concentration and focus, to be ready to learn for the day ahead. The banana bread and fruit cups have certainly been a hit.



It is important to remember if your child has any allergies that were not listed on their enrolment form, to please notify the school.

### PBL Rewards Day

Students enjoyed a relaxed afternoon of fun and games on Wednesday to celebrate good behaviour and displaying our PBL values of respect, responsibility, honesty and empathy throughout Term 1.



## STUDENT OF THE FORTNIGHT Term 1 Week 11



Sophie is a polite and diligent student who always displays a positive attitude towards her learning. She is highly motivated, organised and ready to learn. Sophie strives to do her best everyday and she is always willing to assist her peers. Sophie is an excellent role model to others; consistently

leading by example with her caring nature and outstanding behaviour. Congratulations Sophie!

## PBL SPECIAL MENTIONS Zoe & Ava



For being polite and respectful



Being helpful in the playground

## THE RESILIENCE PROJECT.



Ava and Fay are pictured enjoying a special morning tea as recipients of the gratitude award for Term 1. Congratulations also to Jack and Olivia who are not pictured.

## THE RESILIENCE PROJECT AWARD

Congratulations Jack on receiving the Resilience Project Award for displaying gratitude at school.

## Farewell Miss Tisdell and Mrs Ruskin

As we farewell Miss Tisdell we wish her all the best with her new position at Cootamundra Public School. Miss T has been an important team member of our school community for the past five years, with a passion for teaching, her presence will be missed by students and staff. Mrs Steffi Haynes will commence teaching 5/6 T in Term 2. Good luck Miss T, thank you for all you have done for the students.

We also say farewell to Mrs Toni Ruskin, and wish her all the best with her new endeavours. Thank you for the positive impact you have had on our students during your time at Temora West.



## ANZAC Day

Students are invited to join in Temora's ANZAC Day commemoration by participating in the ANZAC March and attending the service at the Cenotaph at Callaghan Park, on Thursday 25 April. Students are to wear their uniform and gather with TWPS staff at the Police Station at 10.30am. It would be fantastic for students to come along and show their respect to Ex servicemen and women and all they have done for our great country.

## School Photos

Orders can now be placed for school photos and remain open until Friday 26 April. Photos can be ordered online at [Creative School Portraits](https://www.creative-school-portraits.com.au). Each student has a special 'shoot key' required to place order, these were sent home week 10.

## Aurora College

Applications have opened for students in Year 4 wishing to apply for Aurora College next year. Aurora College involves talented and gifted students connecting with teachers and other students through a virtual learning environment. Students will study Mathematics, Science and Technology and STEM. To be accepted parents must complete the online process, students are required to sit an entry exam. Applications close Monday 20 May.

For further information please click on the links:  
[Aurora College online process](#)  
[Aurora College](#)

# 1/2 W MATHEMATICIANS

During maths in 1/2W we've been busy investigating and learning about measuring length using informal units and metre rulers.

We have also been exploring patterns, symmetry and area. 'Estimating, comparing and ordering' are mathematical terms we've been becoming more familiar with this term.

