

TERM 2 WEEK 2 · MAY 3 2023

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Official Newsletter of Tumbulgum Public School



Principal's message

Dear Tumbulgum Families,



Welcome back to Term 2! It was wonderful to see so many of our students supporting our local community at the ANZAC Day dawn service. Thank you for making the effort to have them attend this early morning service. They were a fantastic representation of our school, showing impeccable behaviour and dressed perfectly in their school uniform. Well done to all!

Playgroup

We continued to have a fantastic week with the launch of our playgroup last Wednesday which saw close to 15 children attend. The rain and wind didn't deter them and from all accounts they had a wonderful time. Please continue to spread the word to anyone you know who might like to attend.

Cross Country

The Small Schools Cross Country was just as successful with Tumbulgum placing 3rd overall. It is a credit to all the students who came along with such a positive attitude and ran their little hearts out. They certainly made us all proud so keep up the great work kids! A special mention goes to Abbey Wilkinson who placed 3rd in her age group and has qualified for the District Cross Country Carnival on 12th May. Awesome job, Abbey!

What's On:

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Monday - Seasons Jalum for the next 7 weeks

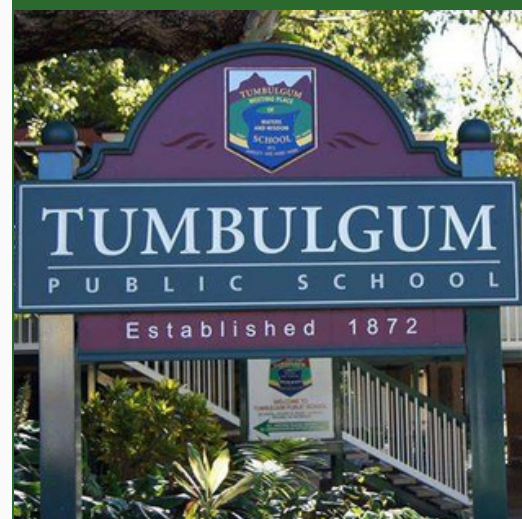
Wednesday - Seasons Binging for the next 7 weeks
Playgroup

WEEK 4

Wednesday - Playgroup
Friday - Tissue Fairy

WEEK 5

Wednesday - Playgroup





Surveys

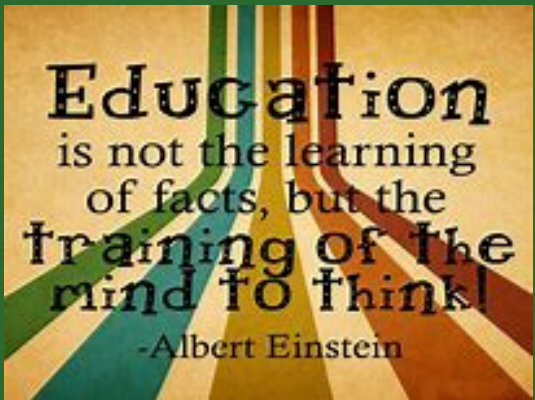
At the end of last term you would have received an anonymous survey to complete on our school. We are always striving to improve and in order to do so, it is important for us to receive as many surveys returned as possible. Thank you to those who have already returned these. If you are yet to return your survey, please do so as soon as possible. If you have misplaced your survey, please contact the school office for a replacement. We would appreciate having all of these surveys returned by Friday 12th May.

Seasons for growth

This week has seen the launch of the next wellbeing program for our students, Seasons for Growth. This program is an innovative, evidence-based change, loss and grief education program that draws on the metaphor of the seasons to understand the experience of grief. It builds the knowledge and skills necessary to strengthen social and emotional wellbeing and we are looking forward to this having a positive impact on our students.

Attendance

The term has begun with excellent attendance here at Tumbulgum PS. Every day really does matter. Regular attendance at school gives children a greater chance at success and we appreciate your commitment to ensuring they attend school each day. If at any time you have any attendance concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us and we will endeavour to do what we can to help. Should your child be sick or attending an appointment, we would appreciate you contacting the school as soon as possible to notify us of this absence. Keep up the great work, Tumbulgum!



EVERY DAY COUNTS.... A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...				
When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed... **Every day counts!**

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday



PAX

Last week saw the official launch of our PAX Behaviour system. Soon your children will be coming home talking about things like tootles and spleems. It would be great if you could have some conversations with your child about PAX to help support its introduction and success at school.

Behaviour

Alongside our positive behaviour system PAX, it is also important also for us to have a clear and transparent behaviour management system. This will ensure we iron out any negative behaviours currently being displayed in our school environment, making it fair for all students.

Next Monday we will be introducing a 'White Slip' system. If a teacher identifies that a student has displayed dangerous or repeated poor behaviour, they will issue the student a 'White Slip'. They will then be required to attend the 'Responsible Thinking Classroom' (RTC) in Mrs Esgate's office at the next available break and will miss their play time.

In this time, they will complete a Student Behaviour Reflection with Mrs Esgate and this form will be sent home to be signed by their parents. If your child presents home with one of these forms, we would appreciate you taking this opportunity to talk to your child about their behaviour. Please return the signed form promptly the next day. If a student receives 3 white slips in one term, their parents will be invited to a behaviour meeting with myself and their classroom teacher.

At Tumbulgun we have high expectations of behaviour on a whole, the majority of students display excellent behaviour. We hope that this system is one that we rarely have to use however it is still important that we have a system in place to ensure this standard is upheld.

I will be explaining this system to the children on Friday so they are aware of the consequences of any poor behaviour leading into next week. If you have any questions or concerns about this system, please don't hesitate to contact me at any time.



Lunch Orders

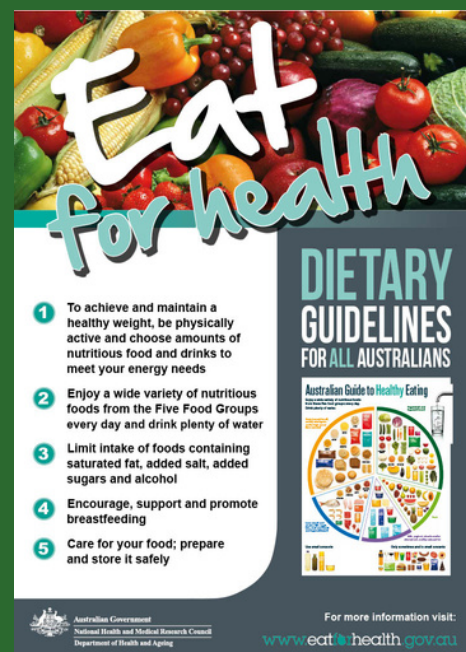
It was exciting times last week with our first lunch orders. We have made some adjustments to our lunch menu this week so please bear with us while we create the right system for our school. We are going to trial sushi orders as well however if we don't have a minimum order each week, we may not be able to continue offering this and may look at just doing a sushi only day once or twice a term depending on demand.

Today we are sending each child home with a lunch order hard plastic bag with the new menu inside. We have provided a paper bag for this week however moving forward, you will need to provide your own paper bag for your child's order. Please write their name and order on the paper bag and ensure the money is placed inside. Orders must be received by 9.30am each Thursday.

We appreciate feedback so if you have any suggestions for our menu, please contact the school office at any time. I can feel a wonderful vibe of positivity here at Tumbulgum Public School and it makes me feel proud each and every day to be a part of this wonderful community. Keep connecting with each other and know that my door is always open should you need to discuss anything with me.

Warm Regards,

Genevieve Esgate



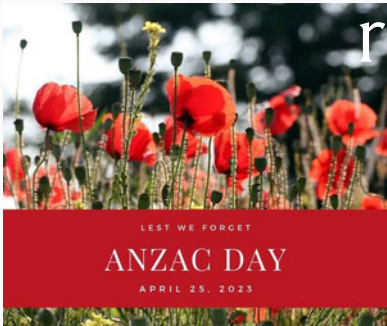


Office News

Our Newsletters can also be found on the NSW Education Parent App. The Parent App streamlines communication between schools and parents and carers. The app has several new features making it easier to keep up to date with the latest news and events, and get emergency updates from their child's school. The app is free to download from Apple Store and Google Play. Any questions about the App please see the office or ask a staff member.



Tumbulgum PS students having fun.





Designed by Jason King



Wednesdays
9.30-11am