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PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Official Newsletter of Tumbulgum Public School

Principal's message



Dear Tumbulgum Families,

Week 7 has seen some great initiatives taking place at our school. Staff have been participating in high quality professional learning which is a vital undertaking to enhance the great learning happening in classrooms and structured routines are being reinforced in classrooms.

All staff are currently undertaking PAX The Good Behaviour Game training. This is an early years intervention and prevention program that helps students develop their self-regulation, social and emotional skills, and resilience at school. The children are familiar with this as it has previously been used at the school as a behaviour management system. In the weeks ahead, we are hoping to re-establish this great system. You may hear your children talking about this and we encourage you to foster conversation around this at home to promote its impact at school.

You would have received many notes from us yesterday. We would appreciate having those back from you as soon as possible so we can get organised for the exciting things we are looking forward to towards the end of the term.

Have a wonderful week and reach out if I can assist in any way.

Warm Regards, Genevieve Esgate

What's On:

WEEK 8 Monday - Jalum Stormbirds Wednesday - Friday - NAPLAN

WEEK 9 Monday - Jalum Stormbirds

WEEK 10 Monday - Jalum Stormbirds Tuesday - Excursion to Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary Thursday - Small Schools Soccer Fun Day at Burringbar



School Grounds & Rebuild

You would have seen in the past few days that the rubbish piles on our school grounds have been removed and the rock pile at the front of the school has been flattened. No doubt you will agree that the keeping of beautiful and grounds makes the school much more welcoming, and we are all pleased to see how much better the school looks since this has happened.

Up next is the evening out of our back oval and the returfing of some bare areas which will make our grounds safe and accessible for our students.

Last week I met with the department's infrastructure and flood recovery team to discuss the next steps regarding our rebuild. It was reassuring to know that behind the scenes the wheels are in motion and plans and processes are in place towards the next steps in repairing our beautiful school. I will continue to update you as things progress.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing will take place for our Year 3 and 5 students next week from Wednesday 15th – Friday 17th March. NÅPLAN is a national literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year which assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum and allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national standards and over time.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It doesn't replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress.

Students are not expected to study for NAPLAN. You can support your child by reassuring them that NAPLAN is a part of their school program and reminding them to simply do their best. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and will provide appropriate support and guidance. "The beautiful thing about learning is nobody can take it away from you"

B.B.King



Upcoming Playgroup

We are excited to announce that we currently in the process of setting up a playgroup here at Tumbulgum so please keep an eye out for information on this. If all goes to plan, we are hoping that this will start at the beginning of Term 2.

Week 6 Awards

Congratulations to our Jalum and Binging award winners Pippah and Fletcher.

Our Principal Award recipient this fortnight was Brian. Well done everyone! Don't forget to redeem your \$100 Active Kids and \$100 Creative Kids vouchers to use at a registered activity provider.



Congratulations to our Week 6 award winners!

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