

Tarcutta School News

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WHAT'S HAPPENING TERM 4 2016

TERM 4

DECEMBER

8th—Transition—9.10am—3.25pm

8th—Little Champions—2.30pm—3.15pm

8th—Presentation Night

9th—Mobile Library—9am—11am

12th—Report cards sent home

16th—End of Year Excursion to Wagga—whole school activity

16th—END TERM 4

19th—Staff Development Day—No students

20th—Staff Development Day—No students

25th— Merry Christmas

JANUARY 2017

30th January 1st day of term. Student return!

1-15th February -Swimming



The popular activity of preparing the back drops for the school play have taken a lot of time and paint to complete. Mr Carroll is sorry for all of the paint that slipped under the art smocks onto the clean uniforms (but he does have paint splattered work trousers to launder).

Report Cards and Parent Teacher Interviews

Report cards will be sent home on Monday the 12th December.

Parents and caregivers are warmly encouraged to make an appointment with Mr Carroll to discuss your child's progress in the last week of school.



PRESENTATION NIGHT

This year our annual Presentation Night will be held on Thursday 8th December 2016 starting at 7.30pm. This event is our opportunity to showcase the students and award them on their achievements during 2016. We invite parents, siblings, grandparents and community members to join us for this occasion.

Be ready for drama, music, song, awards and some jokes.

- **Could parents please bring a plate of food to share for supper.**
- **Students are expected to wear the school uniform.**

Transition Program

Next years students have been preparing for Kindy at school with the popular transition program that has been running under the careful guidance of Cathy. Duplo, play-dough, building, singing and story telling have all been part of the packed morning programs. This Thursday is the final, full day transition event.

HOME READING

This is the last week for home reading and students are expected to bring their blue bags hopefully filled with returned library books and some readers. Students have recently returned books that were borrowed in early 2015. Thanks! The comments about students reading in bed after lights out have been recorded with amusement, obviously some of the bookworms are going to bed with dreams of their books.

Students will be able to borrow from the mobile library on the proviso that they will use the Library van during the holidays.

Do read and read and read during the long hot summer days.



Programmable Lego Robotics

Mr Carroll and the older students are excited by the arrival of the Lego Robotics . We will be using them after the Christmas holidays as part of our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) curriculum.



Writing

A major focus for this term has been writing with the first four weeks being spent on scientific writing and the middle five being used to describe the characters in the concert play and the last week that will be used to report on Christmas customs around the world.



Some examples of students writing about a character called escaped slave Androcles who is surprised by a wounded lion while sleeping in a dark cool cave.

Layla: Androcles was scared of the lion.

Aiden: I went to a dark cave and I heard a lion roar. I was scared. I wanted to run, run and run. I could not run away!

Emmilly: Androcles would have felt rapt to be free but then when the lion roared he would have felt if his bones were about to shatter to a million pieces.

Bonnie: Androcles felt trembling with fear when he heard the great lion roar in the deep, deep cave. When the lion roared with pain Androcles fixed it all up for him. The slave felt super brave after he did this.

Dakota: I think that Androcles felt very scared when he heard the lion roar.

I would be very scared if a lion roared at me.

I feel very sorry for Androcles because that terrible moment had given him such a fright.



Tarcutta Public School has a swimming program in the first fortnight of school in 2017. Participation in the Adelong (or elsewhere) holiday swim program will greatly assist our students improving their swimming skills and strength.

ADELONG COMMUNITY AQUATIC CENTRE JANUARY HOLIDAY



MORNING INTENSIVE SWIM PROGRAM



Tuesday 3rd Jan – Friday 6th Jan 2017 (\$40)

Monday 9th Jan – Friday 13th Jan 2017

Monday 16th Jan – Friday 20th Jan 2017

\$50 preschool & school age Learn- to- Swim Hatchlings level (max 4 to a class)

\$50 Fingerlings Level (max 5 to a class)

\$50 Red Fins Level (max 6 to a class)

\$50 Rainbow Trout Level (max 8 to a class)

Names being taken now

Lessons from 9.30am

30 minute classes

ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE AUSTSWIM QUALIFIED

Lessons need to paid prior to start date

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