



TARCUTTA Public SCHOOL



Wagga Wagga Community of Small Schools' Soccer Team

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Reminders

*Return to
School*

Day with a Scientist—\$35
Year 4-6



Building the Future



2018

Term 1

Week 6



Calendar

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Mon 5 March	Premier's Reading Challenge begins
Thurs 8th Mar	Quiz Works Play
Fri 9 March	Assembly

Week 7

Mon 12 Mar	P&C Meeting—3pm
Thurs 15 Mar	Responsible Pet Ownership

Week 8

Mon 19 Mar	Day with a Scientist \$35
Wed 21 Mar	Harmony Day
Thurs 22 Mar	Wagga Council visit— 4pm-7pm @ truck stop

Week 9

Mon 26 Mar	School Counsellor
Thurs 29 Mar	Easter Hat Parade and Go Green for Fogo Mufti-Day

Principal's Note

Congratulations to our students who have been involved in our **community engagement** activities this week. This is very closely tied to our **Strategic Direction of Wellbeing** as we work with our students to help them Connect, Thrive and Succeed at school and at life. Our students had a wonderful time at **AgriHack** at Charles Sturt University last week. It is so important for our students to participate in challenging, engaging and inspiration programs and to work with outside organisations to see what is out there in the big wide world. These activities build on our own dreams for the future. Being able to work collaborative with other students to solve real-world problems sets us up with wonderful learning skills that we can apply at home and at school.

Congratulations to Aiden, John, Kael, Bonnie and Tara who proudly represented Tarcutta Public School at the **Socceroos and Matilda's** Soccer carnivals last week as part of the Wagga Wagga Community of Small Schools' soccer teams. These opportunities give our students the opportunity to extend themselves socially and physically. It is good to experience these activities and be part of something bigger than just themselves. I was impressed by the reports back from our supervising teachers who all spoke about how our students were like our super hero Rezilia—they had a go at everything and tried hard to learn new things. I am so proud of all of you.

Last Friday we proudly participated in **Clean Up Australia Day**. It was great to do our part in our local community to keep Tarcutta a beautiful place to be everyday.

I was proud to represent Tarcutta at the Wagga **PSSA Swimming Carnival** on Monday as the teacher in charge of our Wagga Wagga Community of Small Schools' Swimming team. I look forward in the coming years to see some of our students make the team.

Last week we celebrated **'P' Day**—as Kindergarten were learning the P sound for the week. Kindergarten have now learnt the sounds s,a,t,p,i,n and are starting to read books and write words.

Next week is our next **P & C meeting**. Please bring along any ideas you have for fundraising for the year.

Today I am meeting with the Secretary of the Department of Education and his two Deputy Secretaries to discuss current educational topics. I look forward to sharing this information at our P&C Meeting next week.

Kirrilee Post, Principal



Education

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What have we been learning in class?

It has been a fun and exciting week at school with Mr Carroll visiting to continue our science studies. This week we wrote in invisible ink and started planting little seeds to watch them grow. Mr Carroll was excited to see what we are doing in our reading groups and he really loved reading a chapter of our novel. In history the primary students have started learning about the topic of Australia as a Nation where we will be learning about how we became a federation and how our government works. This week we have started using our Wagga Wagga Community of Small Schools' weebly to watch some videos on how Australia became a federation and we are continuing that this week as we start to gather enough information to create a mindmap as a way of collecting information.

Last Wednesday students celebrated 'p' day. It was great to see everyone dressed in their 'p' outfits. We had lots of princesses, pirates and even students dressed in their pj's. We had a great day experiencing 'p' words and finished off the day watching Paddington and eating popcorn.

This week our sound/letter focus will be 'n'.

Our maths focus will be multiplication and division strategies.

This term the infants will be learning about toys from the past as part of our History focus. We have already talked about the toys that different age groups play with and what our favourite toys are. Next week we will be looking at old toys. If you have any old toys you might be able to share with us we would love you to bring them in. Anyone with grandparents/friends who would like to talk to the students about toys or games they played when they were younger please see Mrs Lustenberger.



Day with a Scientist—Yr4 & Yr6—\$35

In Week 8 we have been invited to participate in a science day with celebrated scientist Peter Eastwell. It will be hosted on Monday 19th March at Ashmont Public School from 9:30am-2:30pm. The day will begin with a science show. Students will then work in pairs on engaging, hands-on activities designed to accelerate understanding, furthering their curiosity, stimulating their imagination and fostering their creative-thinking and problem-solving abilities.

***** I need to let them know by Friday how many students I am sending as this is open to all Wagga Schools and places fill very quickly. Please confirm if your child will be attending. Payments can be made up until Friday 16th March, so please pay before then.*****

Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2018 Premier's Reading Challenge starts on Monday 5th March and closes on Friday 31st August.

UNSW Tests

If your child is in Primary and would like to challenge themselves by participating in the University of NSW tests please let us know. There are tests in English, Writing, mathematics, science, spelling and digital technologies. If you would like your child to participate please pay on POP and let us know which tests your child wants to do. Please see the next page. I would love for all Primary students to choose one to challenge themselves and have a go.

School Attendance—100%

Attending school everyday is vitally important for your child's education. Education in NSW is compulsory for all students between the ages of six years and the minimum school leaving age. Once enrolled children are required to attend school each day it is open for students. If your child is unwell then we understand you will keep them at home. If for any reason your child is late to school (any time after 9:10am) they need to provide a note explaining why they are late. This is recorded on their attendance record. If you are going to be absent from school on a holiday, you must contact the school and complete an Application for Extended Leave—Travel form for the principal to approve.



AgriHack Report—Mr Ridley

We started the day by visiting some of the farming areas of the university. The students got to see cows and then visit an old dairy shed where they got to learn how the cows got milked. The final stop was to a research centre where they saw how they were testing the quality of the food the animals were eating. We then went into the coding session where they got to make their own computer games by putting codes in to a game to run it. All the students really enjoyed their day especially the coding session. - Mr Ridley

AgriHack

On Wednesday 28th February John, Aiden and Bonnie went to the Wagga university to learn how to computer code, and to make games at AgriHack.

We visited an abandoned farm and looked at an old milking shed and the equipment. We had a great day.
By John



Soccer Report—Mr Ridley

I took a group of students to the Duke of Kent soccer fields where they participated in a round robin gala day where they played 4 games. The students showed great sportsmanship during the day which was filled with plenty of skill and fun. Thanks Aiden, Kael and John for a wonderful day.—Mr Ridley

Thanks Mr Ridley for taking the boys to the Socceroo's day and thanks to Mr Holloway who took the girls to the Matilda's day.

Soccer

On Friday 2nd March Tara and Bonnie went to the soccer gala day. They played 4 games. They tied 3 and won 1. Bonnie kicked a goal so did Tara. There was lots of injuries. Tara and Bonnie had a great day and they wish they could do it again soon.

By Tara





"p" Day

Textbooks and Novel

This year our students are using a maths text book for their learning and the Year 2-6 students also have a class novel. We are subsidising the cost of these books for your child so you are getting them a little bit cheaper. The cost of the text books is \$20 each and the novel is \$15 each. If this can be paid to the office in the next month that would be appreciated.

Kinder and Year 1—\$20

Year 2-Year 6—\$35

I appreciate that this is a lot of money at this time of the year with swimming and school contributions as well. This will hopefully be the last of the big expenses for the year. I welcome parents to let me know if this is an issue. I am more than happy for you to pay this off throughout the term.

School Banking

Do you have a Commonwealth Dolomite Account for your child? If you don't and you would like to set up an account to save pocket money for your child, application forms are available from school. Student banking is processed at school each Monday and the school receives a commission from the Commonwealth Bank for processing these transactions.



Fruit Break

Every day we will be having a fruit break to stimulate our brains and to have a break between lessons.

Office Days

Office days are Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

School Contribution

At the start of each year we ask each family to contribute a small fee towards our school. The contribution is \$30 per child or \$60 for a family of three or more. This contribution fee is the same as it has been for the last few years.

Mobile Library

The Mobile Library will be back next week. All books must be returned by next Friday so students can borrow new books. If they finish their books early there is a tub near the office door where they can return them.

 EVERY DAY COUNTS... A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...				
When your child releases 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! 	



What's going on in your neighbourhood?
Have questions for Council?

WE'RE COMING TO VISIT YOU!



Monday 12 March | In front of the playground, Humula | 4pm-7pm
Thursday 22 March | Truck stop memorial, Tarcutta | 4pm-7pm

What's on offer:

- ▶ Town Planner on board
- ▶ Update on Council projects
- ▶ Ask a question
- ▶ Provide feedback
- ▶ Lodge a request
- ▶ Access online services

DROP IN ANYTIME BETWEEN 4PM & 7PM

You will not be able to pay rates via cash, EFTPOS or cheque at Charlie.

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Tumut Easter Bazaar

Good Friday March 30
Easter Saturday March 31
at BOYS CLUB HALL
 (76 Fitzroy Street, next to Ambulance Station)

9am to 4pm BOTH DAYS

FREE ENTRY

GREAT BARGAINS

Craft, Books, Antiques, Collectables,
Plants, Fruit, Toys, Jewellery,
Baby wear, Clothing, Socks, Handbags,
Jams, Cakes and Lots, Lots More

B.B.Q Tea & Coffee

Bookings: ph 02-42322337 or 0419427801

University of NSW Competitions



ICAS

Digital technologies	Tues 8 May	\$9.90
Science	Tues 29 May	\$9.90
Spelling	Wed 13 June	\$13.20
Writing	Thurs 14 June	\$19.80
English	Tues 31 July	\$9.90
Mathematics	Tues 14 Aug	\$9.90

Child's name	Competitions	TICK—Paid online via POP