

Term 4, Week 7, 2018



TARCUTTA Public SCHOOL



Our STEM project with REEC

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Reminders

Return to School

Christmas donations	Hamper
Solider donation	Care Package
Swim School note and \$50	
Gymnastics \$55	



Building the Future



Calendar

Term 4

Week 7

Tues 27 Nov	Care packages due
Fri 30 Nov	Assembly

Week 8

Mon 3 Dec	Swim School starts \$50
	Bluearth 9am
	School Counsellor visit
	Christmas Hamper items due
Fri 7 Dec	Mobile Library

Week 9

Mon 10 Dec	P&C Meeting
Tues 11 Dec	School Counsellor visit
Wed 12 Dec	Reports go home
Thurs 13 Dec	Presentation Night 6:30pm

Week 10

Wed 19 Dec	Last day of School
	Pool Party

Principal's Note

This is such an exciting time of the year for us. With only four weeks of school to go it is very rewarding to see how much progress our students have made this year and we intend on squeezing every last minute of our school year.

Next week we start our **swimming school program** so please dust off the following items over the weekend so your child is ready to go on Monday:

- Swimmers
- Towel
- Goggles
- Sunscreen
- Thongs
- Hat

We will get changed for swimming here at Tarcutta, at 12pm we will travel to Adelong for swimming, get changed back into our uniforms there and then return here by 3pm. Please ensure you send in a plastic bag for your child to put their swimmers in and then please dry them out over night so they are ready to go the following day. Thank you to those parents who are assisting with transport. Many hands make light work.

I know that 2019 may seem a long way off yet but I just wanted you to know that we have organised **gymnastics for Term 1**. The Little Champions gymnastics team headed up by Ben will be here for an 8 week program. He brings all equipment with him and it is always a fabulous program. The cost will be \$55 per student. If you would like to start sending in money for this now so there isn't as much to pay off next year you can do that.

Our annual charity—the **Soldier's Care Packages** are due to be posted this week. Please see the section about what to include. Nutella, magazines, Christmas decorations are all big hits with our soldiers. Please contribute what you can.

P&C Christmas Hamper Raffle—We are looking for donations for the Christmas Hamper. Every child has pulled out an item from the hat. If these items could come in on Monday then the P&C can put the Hampers together. If you have other things at home you think might be good in a hamper please send them in as well.

As we near the end of the year we will soon be looking for all our **school and mobile library books**. I have been very pleased with how well everyone has been borrowing this year from both places. We still have a few weeks of borrowing to go but if you have any overdue books now might be the time to look for them.



Education

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Last week we were very excited to host Danyelle from the **Riverina Environmental Education Centre on a STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) project based on birds' nests. Although the weather wasn't the best we observed a number of nests built by a variety of birds for different purposes. We went on a bird hunt around the school and kept an eye out for the Swift Parrot which has chosen to make Tarcutta home. We also had a go at making our own bird's nest and it isn't as easy as we thought. Everyone enjoyed the hot chips we had for lunch as a special treat. There are some photos up on our Facebook page if you would like to have a look.

A **big thank you** to our whole school community who pitched in for a number of fundraising activities over the last few weeks. Thanks to Jenny, Bonnie and Sharon for making the sandwiches for the Clearing Sale; Sue for making the ice and biscuits; Ainsley, Sharon, Bonnie, Peta and Penny who worked on the canteen on the day. The P&C raised \$713.88 from the clearing sale. Thanks to Jenny and the team who made the Community Disco such a success, the disco made \$94.70. Thanks to Sue and Cathy who catered for the Director's Hub meeting which raised \$75 for our P&C. Our P&C works tirelessly throughout the year to raise funds which feed directly back into providing for our students and we thank them very much for their support of our school.

Please check out our **P&C section** to see what you can do to help over these last few weeks of school as we lead up to presentation night.

Please ensure that your child has a **school bucket** hat as we are entering the hot time of the year and we want everyone well protected from the sun.

Kirrilee Post, Principal

P&C News

P & C Meeting

The next meeting will be in Week 9—Monday 10th December.

Clearing Sale—A big thank you to so many of our parents and community friends who came together to put the catering together last week.

Christmas Hamper Raffle— As has been done in previous years we will be holding a Christmas Hamper Raffle which will be drawn on Presentation Night—Thursday 13th December at 6:30pm. The children have drawn some items out of a hat today and have been asked to contribute those items and any others you think of to either the Food or Christmas Hampers. Tickets will be \$2 a ticket or 3 for \$5.

Class Party—The class party will be held on the last day of the school year—Wednesday 19th December at the Adelong Pool. The P&C will be covering the cost of the bus over to the pool and students can order their own lunch at the kiosk at their own expense. Pre-orders will be taken in the week leading up to the party.

Check out our new school website:
<https://tarcutta-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>



Soldier's Care Packages—Tues 27 Nov

Can you help support our troops by donating something to our Care Package?

Items can be dropped off from now until Tues 27th November when they will be packaged up and sent off on our behalf.

We need:

- Deodorant (non-aerosol)
- Shaving cream (non-aerosol)
- Small bottle of talcum powder
- Disposable razors
- Shower gel
- Lip balm
- Instant noodles
- Biscuits
- Lollies
- Small tinned consumables
- Non-perishable food
- Puzzle books

A Fond Farewell—Miss Ferguson

Goodbye Tarcutta! It has been a wonderful six weeks with you all and I am very, very sad to have left. I have had a great deal of fun, learnt so much and developed as a teacher, in confidence, lesson planning and delivery. There were plenty of opportunities for me to take advantage of – mainly, the chance to work with so many casual teachers – and even more for me to reflect on. Miss Post and Mrs L were absolutely amazing supervisors, their dedication to their job and especially to the school is outstanding. Both as a teacher education student and as member of the community, I am just so happy to see that Tarcutta is still a hub of strong teachers and students! We may be small, but we are resilient and capable of great things.

I would like to thank Miss Post for accepting the University's

offer of a prac student and for being a fantastic support and guide over these last six weeks; Mrs L for being my supervising teacher, pointing me in the right direction when needed, supporting and encouraging me throughout the lesson planning and delivery process. I feel much more confident about assessment strategies and developing differentiated lessons across multiple stages after a week with you to guide me through the process, than I ever did at Uni!

To Sue, Steve and Sue Hardwick, Cathy and Vonnice—you are all exceptional people to work with and it was great to see you all again! Thank you for being so local and welcoming. I felt very much at home on my very first day because of that warm, welcoming, grass-roots country attitude.

To the P&C, you have done quite the amazing job for the school. I am glad to have been able to sit in on a P&C meeting, to have met and spoken with all of you and attended the disco! Your devotion for the school and your kids learning is so great to see!

Lastly and most importantly, to the students. You are amazing individuals. You tried to push the boundaries and to test my patience but it didn't work. I was having way too much fun to be distracted for too long by that. In the end, we had fun; we learnt a lot about each other; I hope that in all that fun, the students learnt a few things about Geography, Science, Art, English and Maths!

So, thank you to everyone for the last six weeks. You are all wonderful people, doing a wonderful job and I cannot wait to come back and teach one day!

But in the meantime, don't ever stop being fabulous, Tarcutta! You have writers, artists, sports stars, leaders and healers in your midst!

Erin Ferguson



Gymnastics—Term 1, 2019

We will be doing gymnastics in Term 1 for 8 weeks. The cost will be \$55 per student and you can start paying this off now if you would like to reduce the cost next term. Little Champions Gymnastics will be bringing their van of gymnastics equipment for us to use and it will be a lot of fun.

What have we been learning in class?

This week we have been learning about how birds build nests in science. We have also been looking at the honey ant as our mini-beast of the week. As part of our studies in HSIE the students had to follow a treasure map and solve riddles to find their prize from Miss Ferguson which was a lot of fun. In Maths we have been learning about different multiplicative strategies to help us solve word problems. In English we have been working hard to improve our fluency and our understanding of what we are reading. The primary have been learning about clauses and sub-ordinate clauses, how to edit their work and various grammar like: adjectives, verbs, adverbs and collective nouns. In writing we are continuing to extend the amount of time we write on a daily basis. We have started practising for presentation night with a few little things we have planned. In art we made a 3D representation of a honey ant. We visited the mobile library and borrowed new books, we only have one more chance to borrow from the mobile library this year and then all books need to be returned.

TARCUTTA PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTATION NIGHT

SCHOOL LIBRARY

THURSDAY DECEMBER

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6:30
IN THE
EVENING

LET'S CELEBRATE



... FOOD, MUSIC, FRIENDS & FUN ...



PLEASE BRING

Camera
Singing Voices
Plate of Food to share

FOOD & DRINKS

Cakes & Slices
Cold Drinks
Tea & Coffee



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Come for morning tea and information on Emotional Intelligence and how we can give our children the best start towards success academically, professionally and in personal relationships.

This free morning for any community members interested in emotions and communication is on Friday 14th December, starting at 9.45 - 11.45 at the Humula Citizens and Sports Club. Send a text to let me know if you're interested for catering and if you have little ones that you'll be bringing so I can arrange for someone to keep them occupied while you're enjoying the event. Ph. 0413836087.

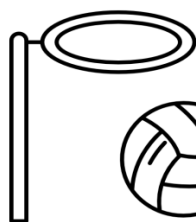


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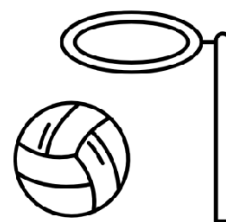
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Mix Netball



All ages and abilities welcome it's all about having a bit of fun and being active in our small community.

**If you don't know how to play come along and learn
welcome to bring children along a family friendly
environment.**

When: Fortnightly on Wednesday

Starting 28th November 2018

Where: Tarcutta Public school

Time: 6.30pm Start

Please wear closed in footwear

Gold coin donation per week to be donated to the school

Further inquiries give jaz a call on 0429575532

