



Welcome Back



Tarcutta Public

NEWSLETTER



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Week 1

Term 4 2021



Building the Future



Calendar 2021

Term 4

Week 1

Tuesday 5 October	Students return for Term 4.
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Friday 8 October	School Photos
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Week 2

Mon 11 Oct	Order Lunches
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Wed 13 Oct	Kindergarten Orientation
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Current COVID-19 Restrictions

As you are well aware decisions regarding the health and safety of our students across the state are made daily. As soon as any information comes to us that directly affects us we will let you know via our newsletter or on our Facebook page. <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families?deliveryName=DM16584>

Reminders

Return to School

Principal's Note

Dear parents and caregivers,
Welcome to Week 1.

We hope that you have had a wonderful holiday and have come back as excited about Term 4 as we are. There is a lot to look forward to.

We return under Level 3 restrictions, which are the same as they were at the end of last term.

Level 3 Restrictions

Please read the information on the next page regarding our restrictions. Most of them are internal things we will do. The main 2 areas for you to remember are to keep your child home if they are unwell and if they display and symptoms that might be COVID related to get them tested. The second one is that we are being asked not to have unessential visitors on site so please continue to drop students off at the gate and call the school if you need to pick them up early. A lot of our school additional extra programs are now on hold. (Bluearth, Mobile Library, Book Fair, Touch Footy Day, Scripture, Friday Science Workshops, etc).

School Photo Day

School Photos are planned for this Friday 8 October at 9:30am. Please bring back the photo envelope on Friday whether you are purchasing photos or not as it has a bar code on it the photographer uses to correctly label every photo.

Kindergarten 2022 Orientation Program

Our regular Kindergarten Orientation Program will start next Wednesday 13 October. If you are thinking of sending your child to school next year you are welcome to bring them along for the visits. If you haven't yet completed the Enrolment form on our school website please do this as soon as you can. We would like to send out our usual information packs to you so please contact the office so we can get these out to you.



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BOOK FAIR

A massive thank you to everyone who purchased books at the Book Fair last term. We spent almost \$1000 which entitled us to almost \$200 of new books for the library. Thank you to Sue, Sue and Cathy for setting up and packing up the Book Fair for us.

Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction

2021 brings to the end our EAfS (Early Action for Success) program which has been running for the last 5 years. It has been a hugely successful program at Tarcutta Public School which saw at least 80% improvement in academic results, in reading. The Department of Education is replacing this program by appointing every school an Assistant Principal whose primary role will be on improving literacy and numeracy, assisting with professional learning and helping introduce the new K-2 Syllabuses which are being implemented from next year. We are currently in the process of opening the ad for this position with interviews being held in Week 4. The new position will begin next year. We look forward to welcoming this new staff member who will spend one day a week at our school .

Kirrilee Post

Principal

Lunch order Price List

Cheese & Bacon Buns—\$2.50

Pizza Buns—\$2.50

Donuts—Plain, pink or Choc—\$1.50

Current Restrictions

The current restrictions in Wagga Wagga LGA were eased as planned from 12:01am on Saturday 11 September 2021, meaning our school will move to operating under [Level 3 conditions](#) as part of our COVID-safe return to school roadmap.

This means all our students will be expected back for face-to-face learning on site. The best learning environment for students is in the classroom and we are looking forward to welcoming back our staff and students for the remainder of this term.

This time will be invaluable in re-establishing relationships and reconnecting as a class and school community.

Here's what our families and student can expect when returning to school sites under COVID-safe [Level 3 conditions](#):

- Staff will be required to wear masks indoors and outdoors while on school grounds.
- No school assemblies or sport (outside of existing PDHPE classes), excursions or field trips.
- Only essential visitors will be allowed on site and will be required to check-in and wear masks at all times.
- Parents and carers will need to remain outside of school grounds and follow physical distancing and avoid gathering for drop-offs and pick-ups.
- There will be enhanced daily cleaning of the school and wherever possible we will ensure classrooms will be well-ventilated with open windows.

We have worked closely with NSW Health in developing our return to school roadmap and COVID-safe school plan. NSW Health will continue to monitor vaccination rates and transmission levels in our LGA and will advise us if settings need re-evaluation.

We are continuing to work closely with NSW Health and other relevant authorities to support our school staff to receive 2 doses of a COVID-19 vaccination by 8 November. This will help protect our staff and students.



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