



# Tumbarumba Public School

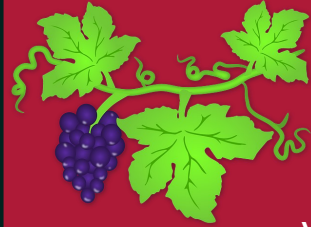
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## GRAPEVINE



The GRAPEVINE can be accessed through the school website:

[www.tumbarumba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.tumbarumba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

OR on the Skoolbag app, available on smart phones.

Visit and join our Facebook Group - Tumbarumba Public School.

### Principal's Message

**Congratulations to all our Riverina Athletics** participants for a great day last week in Albury and special congratulations to Tahlia Fisher who has qualified for **STATE ATHLETICS in Girls 13yrs 100 metres!!! Well done, Tahlia.** Thanks to parents who transported their children to Albury to represent the Highlands team.

**Our 2019 School Production Around the World in 80 Minutes (OR LESS)** is next Week – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> of September at the MPC at Tumbarumba High School. Our school production is a much anticipated event and only held once every two years. **Entry is \$5 per person 12 years and over. Children are free.**

From this Friday students will be walking to and from the Tumbarumba High School hall to rehearse. Please ensure students have recess and bottles of water and their hats as the weather forecast is for some sunny weather. If classes are at the hall at lunch time, they will be able to have lunch orders delivered to the hall. Can students please bring their costumes on rehearsal and performance days (see below) in a bag with their name clearly labelled. We will walk back to the Primary School for home time and buses including on Thursday after the matinee. Rehearsal timetable guide:

Friday 13/9: 10am 5/6W	11am K/1G
12pm 1/2T	1.40pm 5/6R
Monday 16/9: 9.15am 1/2T	10am 5/6W
10.45am 5/6R	11.30am 3/4M
12.15pm 2/3 PR	1.00 pm K/1G
1.45 pm K/1C	

Tuesday 17/9	9.30 Full day Whole school
Wednesday 18/9	9.30 Full day Whole school Dress Rehearsal
Thursday 19/9	11.30 Students walk to THS MPC 12.30 Matinee Performance 5.45 pm Parents bring children (THS MPC doors will be closed until this time) 6pm Evening Performance

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fri 13th Sep	Rehearsal at THS
Mon 16th Sep	Rehearsal at THS
Tue 17th Sep	Rehearsal at THS (Whole school)
Wed 18th Sep	Dress Rehearsal at THS (Whole school)
Thu 19th Sep	TPS Production Matinee 12.30 pm TPS Production 6pm
Mon 23rd Sep	Cricket School Cup (Tumbarumba)
Thu 26th Sep	Stage 2 Incursion (Sleep over)
Fri 27th Sep	Wellbeing treat & Assembly

RESPECT

RESILIENCE

RESPONSIBILITY

- On performance day students will dress in their costume prior to the matinee and then change back into school uniform.
- Students then take their costumes home and arrive for the evening performance already dressed for the show (no changing at night performance).

**Circles of Security:** Do you sometimes feel parenting is a tough gig and you would like some support? We are pleased to make available the program Circles of Success which offers training in developing skills in parenting and growing your family life. Family First counsellor Catherine Buckle will be delivering this program over 8 weeks in Term 4. Catherine has previously delivered Magic 123 in Tumberumba. There will be only 10 places available in the program. If you are interested please complete the Expression of Interest on the attached flyer and return to school. We also ask you to indicate times which would suit your better. For more information please contact Mrs Lumsden or email Catherine Buckle.

Link to Circles of Security: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F6DhnbgrAOo>


**Kindergarten Transition for our 2020 students** begins on Friday of week 1 in Term 4. It will be held on alternate Tuesdays and Fridays each week in the Kindergarten room (poster attached). Please notify the school if you have a child who is intending on participating in our 6 week program. There will be an information session about attending school at 9am on the first transition day in the meeting room on Friday the 18th of October. Enrolments are open and packages are available at the school office. Completed enrolment forms are welcome by the end of Term 3 to assist staff in beginning the entry process.

**External Validation** is a Department of Education audit of teaching and learning which schools participate in every 5 years and this term has been our turn! A huge shout out to our team - Mrs Sharwood and Mrs Burgun who have been burning the candle both ends to collect and analyse the large amount of evidence required at the same time as preparing a school play. Thank you also to everyone at school for keeping things running while the executive keep disappearing into the meeting room for hours on end! The panel will evaluate our submission at Tumberumba PS on Tuesday week 1 of Term 4. We are excited about the growth in our students as we implement strategies to improve student growth in Literacy and Numeracy. The evidence supports the strong area of wellbeing with

innovative initiatives and extra-curricular activities to help every child 'connect, grow, thrive and learn'.

**Term 4 Students return on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of October. (There is no staff development day at the beginning of Term 4).**

*Jennifer Lumsden*  
Principal



Dear TPS parents and carers,

Due to the unavailability of some members there will be no September P&C meeting. The next meeting will therefore be held during the first week back at school – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm in the Admin building meeting room. All welcome

Please see [PCtumberumba@mail.com](mailto:PCtumberumba@mail.com) or our Facebook page for updates.

Thank you, Regards TPS P&C

Term 3 Fundraising Schedule		
Week	Food	Students
8	Chicken Soup	Heidi & Tiffany
9	Lasagne	DJ & Luke
10	Pizza Pin Wheels	Declan & Violet

### OFFICE REMINDERS

**Phone Messages**  
When calling TPS please leave a message if the call goes to message bank. At present there is only one line into the school.

**Doctors Certificates**  
It is departmental policy that when children are sick for three consecutive days a doctors certificate needs to be provided.

**Children's Lunches**  
If needed, please send a spoon or fork with your child if they need this to eat their lunch. Unfortunately the staffroom isn't equipped with any additional cutlery that can be leant out.

Thank you.



Students helping with the production backdrop





# Compulsory School Attendance

## Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

### What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

### The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

### What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

### Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





**If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.**

**My child won't go to school. What should I do?**

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

**What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?**

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

**What age can my child leave school?**

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

**Working in Partnership**

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

**Policy, information and brochures:**

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

**The school leaving age:**

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning website*

**Do you need an interpreter?**

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

Learning and Engagement

Student Engagement & Interagency Partnerships

T 9244 512

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## MILKSHAKES WITH MRS LUMSDEN

Week 7 Lucy P, Lucy M & Jeht B visited 'Nest' with Mrs Lumsden.

As always we congratulate all of our students who have had their names added to the 'bucket' for following our school values of Resilience, Respect & Responsibility.

A huge thank you to Laura and the 'Nest' staff for their ongoing support.



## Tumbarumba Tennis Club

Junior Tennis coaching  
Mon 30th Sept - Fri 4th of Oct  
(1st week of Holidays)  
9.30 am - 3pm daily

\$130 per player  
\$120 for second family member

Coaching by Mark Southwood  
from Sydney

Names to:

Michael Schwab 0412 471 939  
or  
June Blake 6948 3854

## COMMUNITY NEWS

All community news needs to be sent to school on alternative Mondays.

Notices can be emailed to:  
[tumbarumba-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:tumbarumba-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)  
(please phone to confirm you have done this).

**A REMINDER TO PLEASE KEEP THEM AS SHORT AS POSSIBLE.**

### TPS Disclaimer

Articles included in the Community News are accepted in good faith by TPS and published as a community service. No responsibility will be taken by TPS for any inaccuracies included. Readers will be responsible for making their own assessment of the information provided.

## KIDS FOR CHRIST

Kids for Christ will be held on **Friday September 13th** from **3.05-5pm** in St Jude's Hall for children in Years K-6.

The cost will be \$3 each or \$8 per family of 3+children. Activities include craft, games, stories, songs and food.

For further information phone Elaine on 6948 2435. Thank you.



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## Tumbarumba Public School

# 2020 Orientation to Kindergarten Program

*Parents and carers are welcome to find out more about the programs provided at Tumbarumba Public School to give your child the best start possible to their school life. WE CARE about making your child's transition to school happy, safe and secure.*

### Term 4:

Friday 18 Oct	9.05am-11.05am (fruit and water)
Tuesday 22 Oct	9.05am-11.05am (fruit and water)
Friday 1 Nov	9.05am-12.50pm (fruit, recess and water)
Tuesday 5 Nov	9.05am-12.50pm (fruit, recess and water)
Friday 15 Nov	9.05am-3.05pm (fruit, recess, lunch and water)
Tuesday 19 Nov	9.05am-3.05pm (fruit, recess, lunch and water)

Please contact the school to book your child into our comprehensive orientation program.

Social stories are incorporated into our orientation program and every day schooling as they help students become familiar with routine, assist in the development of appropriate social skills, and model expected behaviour.

Uniform will be on sale at the office on these days.

Each day, your child will be met by the teachers. During Orientation, they will be assigned a Year 6 buddy who will assist them with everyday 'school life' next year, ensuring they always have a friend to support them.

Children will need a hat and a spare change of clothes.

Enrolment packages are available at the TPS front office.

Children attending Carcoola will be brought across to the school, otherwise parents can drop off and pick up their child at the Tumbarumba Public School at the designated times.

You are welcome to contact the school to arrange a tour and meet the principal.



# Circle of Security<sup>®</sup>

## PARENTING SERIES

**Presented by:** Catherine Buckle, Family Worker, Home-Start Family Services Australia

**Sponsored by:** Tumbarumba Public School & Home-Start Family Services



**Location:** **\*\*room\*\*** Tumbarumba Public School

**Dates:** 8 week program, beginning Week 2 of Term 4 : 1 hour session each week

**Times:** Please indicate your preference on the RSVP slip below

**Who should attend:** Parents from all walks of life find that this program assists with strengthening their connections with their children and easing the day to day behavioral challenges that all families experience. Research shows that secure children experience a wide range of benefits throughout life.

**How to register:** Please fill in the slip below and return to the Tumbarumba Public School Office, or email Catherine at [tumut@homestartaustralia.org](mailto:tumut@homestartaustralia.org) with your preference.

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At times all parents feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us. Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you. The Circle of Security<sup>®</sup> Parenting<sup>™</sup> program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

### Learning Objectives of the Training:

- Understand your child's emotional world by learning to read their emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self esteem
- Honor your innate wisdom and desire for your child to be secure

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**Expression of Interest** – please return to Tumbarumba Public School Office or email Catherine at [tumut@homestartaustralia.org](mailto:tumut@homestartaustralia.org)

Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred time – **please circle one** : During School Hours    After School    Suggested Time: \_\_\_\_\_



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Everyone who joins the library during September, or refers a friend if they are themselves already a member, goes into the draw to win a voucher for a local cafe! Please email me if you would like an electronic copy, or if you have any questions.

Kind regards,  
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