



Tumbarumba Public School

*Nurturing Tomorrow's
Citizens Today*

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GRAPEVINE

The GRAPEVINE can be accessed through the school website:

www.tumbarumba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

OR on the Skool Loop app.

Visit and join our Facebook Group - Tumbarumba Public School.



Principal's Message

Our students have settled in happily already and establishing routines for learning. Thank you to our fantastic team of teachers and support staff who have worked very hard to be prepared for the new year and get everyone off to such a great start. Our COVID safe parent/teacher meetings on Tuesday were positive and helpful to students, parents and teachers. Thank you parents for your feedback which is very important to make sure we are meeting your needs. Please remember to ring the school for an appointment to talk to your child's teacher if you have any concerns.

Swimming Carnival. What a fun day we had with sooooo much enthusiasm from our students even though it was a 'quiet carnival' with no chanting or cheering and our infants classes. Thank you P&C for providing lunch. The Highlands Carnival is being held in Tumut on Friday 26th of February. Parents are responsible for taking their children to the Highlands swimming trials to qualify for Riverina Primary Championships being held in Leeton on the 10th of March.

Assembly this week will be led by our students from

4/5/6W. We will also be handing out ribbons and medals from our swimming carnival last Thursday. Well done everyone. We will attempt to ZOOM the assembly. Watch for the link on Facebook. Remember our Facebook page is a private group for safety and security reasons.

School Excellence in Action - School improvement is at the heart of the work we do as teachers and school leaders, and needs to 'touch every classroom', be the

GRAPEVINE DELIVERY

We are working towards more paperless delivery of information this year. Thank you to the families who have opted 'in' for a paper hard copy. If you missed the notification in last fortnights newsletter there is a slip attached to this Grapevine to complete.

Calendar of Events

Fri 19 Feb	Assembly 2.15 (Parent Free)
Fri 26 Feb	Highlands Swimming
	Challenge Clubs begin

PBL Focus for the fortnight: At TPS we know and follow our playground rules and expectations

Tumbarumba Primary School Community acknowledges the Ngarigo people as the first caretakers of this land and respectfully recognises their continuing connection to the land, mountains, waters and community.

RESPECT

RESILIENCE

RESPONSIBILITY

work of every teacher and impact every student. School improvement is a continuous process, centred on maximising outcomes for all students, and sustaining this improvement over time. We are all working together towards improvement. All NSW Public Schools are presently developing a new 4 year improvement plan with the combined goal of being the 'best schools in NSW'. I talked to our P&C last night, shared information and discussed their views on what their expectations are for their children in this modern day.

Reading at home! The most important thing you can do is read **WITH** your children. Sharing reading helps them know it is important and valued. My children used to look forward to us reading a book to them every night and still recall these special family times. We read traditional fairy tales, favourite authors and even the whole Harry Potter series! Their comprehension develops beyond their reading ability and embeds a love of stories forever. You can listen to stories as you travel and talk about the plot, the characters and why the author chose to include aspects into the story. Parents need to lead by example.

Students with Disabilities and Learning Difficulties. At TPS one of the important areas we focus on is providing support to our students and families. It is the joint responsibility of parents and the school to ensure that these students have the appropriate support and provisions to equitably access education.

The first step in this area is to meet with your child's teacher, supervisor and Principal to discuss the ways we can support your child to have equal access to education. We can then investigate adjustments which can be made, support services and funding which may be available, and implement these processes. We also regularly monitor student progress and make adjustments when needed. We need parents to participate in decisions for your child so they have the opportunity to reach their potential.

If your teacher has contacted you about completing an Individual Education Plan for your child, please call back to arrange a meeting to discuss and sign off on their plan.

Attendance Schools continue to follow clear guidelines to maintain our very low presence of COVID-19 in NSW. **Students should be at school unless:**

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe
- they are currently unwell.

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms.

NSW Health has requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the [COVID-19 clinics](#).

Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptom-free before being permitted to return to school.

Students who do not undertake a COVID-19 test will not be permitted to return to school for a 10-day period. Additionally, they must be symptom-free for at least 3 days prior to returning to school.

Students who have seasonal allergic rhinitis or another condition that presents similarly to flu-like symptoms are still required to get tested for COVID-19 and return a negative test result. Where their symptoms continue beyond 10 days, students should provide documentation from their GP confirming their symptoms are typical for their condition. If the student develops new or changed symptoms, they should get tested for COVID-19.

COVID-19 testing for students with complex health or disability may be challenging. In these situations, schools will ask the parent or carer to have their child assessed by their medical practitioner. Where a medical practitioner determines that a COVID-19 test is not required, documentation must be provided to the school to confirm that the student does not have symptoms that warrant a COVID-19 test. The certificate must also indicate that the student is able to return to school.

Jenny Lumsden
Principal

**NO LUNCHTIME
CANTEEN NEXT
TUESDAY 23RD
FEBRUARY**

KCarabost News



KC have had a wonderful start to Kindergarten. We have enjoyed creating a fun filled learning environment with co-constructed classroom expectations and have jumped straight into our new class routines. We have been busy over the past two weeks learning a new sound every morning and have been immersed into reading and math rotations. We have enjoyed playing TENS games as well as whole number counting daily. In KC, we have begun learning about our own stories in History and the school environment in Geography. Science has been very exciting this term, with the introduction of our two new gold fish class pets, Rocket and Fishy, thanks to Mrs Metcalf. We will learn how to look after living things! On a Thursday we get to enjoy learning with Miss Grant, this week in the afternoon we got to visit our school garden and harvest our own bunch of lavender.



We are very excited to continue to learn and grow throughout Term 1.





Thank you to those that attended our TPS P&C AGM.

We are pleased to advise that our 2021 Committee positions have been filled by the following:

President: Gemma Bremner

Vice President: Rebecca O'Neill

Secretary: Jessica Spratling

Treasurer: Salina Moy

Want to be able to vote or be a part of our P&C but cannot attend a meeting?

Easy.... Pay \$1 for your voting rights for the year, join our P&C Private Group Chat to stay up to date and contribute in the discussions.

Meetings..... Every 3rd Wednesday of the month
6:30pm, School Library

ALL WELCOME TO COME ALONG

EASTER
FUNDRAISER
RAFFLE
COMING SOON.....

We are running our Easter Raffle again this year.

Tickets & more information coming soon.

We are asking for any Easter Themed donations for the class boxes.

Library

Welcome back to the library for 2021.
This year we will be showcasing our wonderful books that were donated by Dymocks Bushfire Donations.

Students will need a library bag to borrow books with. Please return any overdue books that your children may have at home. A note went home this week with overdue books.

Our Library days are:
Monday: KC, 3/4M & 5/6R
Tuesday: 1/2T & 2/3PR
Thursday: 4/5/6 W
Friday: K/1 G

TPS SPORTS

This term sports will be held on the following days:

Thursday: 2/3 Paddys River,
3/4 Maragle & 5/6 Rosewood

Friday: K Carabost, K/1 Glenroy,
1/2 Taradale & 4/5/6 Willigobung

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

Notices can be emailed to: 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 on **Friday February 26th** from **3.05-5pm** in St Jude's Hall for children in Years

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

For more information please phone Elaine on 6948 2435.



NEW YEAR NEW JOB?

Are you looking for a fresh start in 2021? Do you want to work for a family owned company that empowers and encourages its staff?

In 2021 Joss Facility Management are looking for cleaning staff to work at local Government sites across regional NSW. At Joss we value our diverse and committed workforce and we are regularly recruiting for cleaning positions across NSW.

PPE, Training and Uniforms provided.

Applicants need to provide a valid Working With Children Check upon application and successful applicants will be required to undertake a pre-employment medical prior to commencement.

Please contact Joss Facility Management via email on careers@jossgroup.com.au



Check us out on Facebook [Joss Cleaning](#)

or visit our webpage
www.jossgroup.com.au



GRAPEVINE PAPER COPY

I would like to continue to receive a hard copy of Tumbarumba Public School's Grapevine.
(Please put the eldest child's name below)

Student Name:..... Class:.....

Parent name:..... Signature:.....

No Homework for 2021

I would NOT like my child to participate in weekly homework

Student Name:..... Class:.....

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Student Name:..... Class:.....

Student Name:..... Class:.....

Parent name:..... Signature:.....

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION \$30 per student OR \$50 per family

Please find enclosed \$.....for my child/ren: of Class/es
for Voluntary Contributions.

Name: Signature: Date: