

TERM 2 WEEK

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Tarago Public School

NEWSLETTER

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Principal Message

Exemptions from School

Principals may grant an exemption from school for exceptional domestic circumstance, family holidays and the health of a student.

If your child will be absent from school due to a family holiday, extended sickness or exceptional domestic reasons please contact school in order to apply for a Certificate of Exemption.

An exemption form may be picked up from the office.

When a certificate of Exemption is applied for and granted, school absences that occur over the exemption period are not recorded on your child's absentee records.

General Assistant

Over the past few weeks many of you would have seen a new face around our school, on a Tuesday, Mr Paul Dempsey. Paul has been undertaking the role of General Assistant and I am sure everyone would agree, judging by the look of our school, he is doing a fantastic job.

Welcome to Tarago Public School Paul.

Camp

Camp is rapidly approaching. Included on the back of this weeks newsletter is a link that may have some ideas for preparing for this big event.

If there are any questions regarding camp please stop in at school. This is particularly important if you would like assistance in organising financial arrangements.

Reports

Reporting time in any school is a busy and somewhat stressful event. This semester Tarago Public School is trialling a new program to produce our reports. So far things have run smoothly and it is still expected that reports will be sent home on Friday, 28th June. When reading your child's report it is important to remember that each report is specifically for your individual child and the best person to discuss the report with is the classroom teacher.

An important aspect of the current NSW DET reporting scale is that a sound result equates to working at the appropriate year level.

Phillip Katen

Principal

Wonder Workers



K-3



Jason Kendall-Torry

Achieving a reading PB



4-6



Gemma Seymour

**Always working at
producing her best!**



Participation



Responsibility



Respect

Headlice are back again so let's revisit

The Truth About Head Lice!

The topic of head lice is often a taboo subject and embarrassing when our child gets them, but relax – it has nothing to do with being clean or dirty. Head lice are caught like a common cold is – by being close to someone who has them (or sharing hats or brushes) – so it can happen to any one of us! The good thing is that they aren't life-threatening and they are easily treated.

The first step is to look out for them. As only 50% of children with head lice will itch, it is a good idea to check your child's hair once a week. Whilst the lice themselves are very small and hard to see, the eggs are more visible as small whitish flecks firmly attached to the hairs, usually quite close to the scalp. If you see these, don't panic! ***The treatment is easy and requires only two important and inexpensive tools: white hair conditioner – any brand and price will do –***

and a fine tooth comb (available at our local chemists).

Treatment.

- Wash your child's hair as you usually would, then apply a generous amount of white conditioner to the hair and leave it.
- Next use the fine-tooth comb to comb through your child's hair, wiping the comb on white tissue. Check the tissue for dead lice which will look like small brown spots.
- Continue combing until no more conditioner can be combed out (this may take five minutes or more in a child with long hair) and leave to dry.

The conditioner works by immobilizing and suffocating the head lice. After one treatment your child is considered safe to return to school/ contact with others, but for proven lice eradication this treatment must be repeated every second night for a total of four treatments (i.e. – over seven days), to immobilize any further lice which may have hatched and prevent the remaining eggs from hatching. You may still see 'eggs' in your child's hair – don't panic! The glue that the lice uses is very sticky and empty egg cases may remain in the hair, growing out as the hair grows, over a period of weeks. ***To prevent head lice becoming a problem in your home, a simple solution is to treat your child / children one night a week with the white conditioner and fine-tooth***

Getting Ready For Camp

What do you remember most about school camp? Children can feel a little anxious before they go - but then don't want to come back home! Here's how to help them feel confident about camp as departure day approaches.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/getting-ready-for-camp>

Coming Up

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Term 2 Week 9 24/06—28-06			Library 4-6 CWA Presentation	Recorder/ Guitar Small Schools Creative and Practi- cal Arts Day—TPS Student Banking	Last Day of Term 2 Reports Home
Term 3 Week 1 15/07/-19/07	Staff Development Day	Students Resume		Student Banking	