



Tarago Public School

Calendar of Events 2020

Term 4 2020

- **Tuesday 24th November** - Final Kindergarten Orientation 9.30am to 11.20am
- **Friday 27th November** - Book Club issue # 8 Due
- **Wednesday 16th December** - End of Year Presentation 2.30pm in COLA
- **Wednesday 16th December** - Last day of Term 4 for students

Term 1 2021

- **Friday 29th January** - Students in Years 1-6 return for 2021
- **Monday 1st February** - Kindergarten Students Start
- **Thursday 18th February** - TREC Swimming Carnival

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This Week at Tarago Public School

Principal's Report

It is hard to believe that we only have 4 weeks left till the end of the term! We have been very busy at school organising end of year festivities. Presentation Day will take place on Wednesday 16th December from 2:30pm. We will be following strict COVID Safety Plans and can only permit **2 people** from each family to attend. The ceremony will take place in the COLA. End of year school reports will also be handed out at this time. Please do not attend if you are ill.

I am very relieved to say that last weekend the wood pile was removed and the cricket pitch has been cleaned out. We are looking forward to creating a new learning space out the back for the students.

We were also very fortunate to receive funding for playground markings from VEOLIA Mulwaree Trust. These literacy, numeracy and fitness games will be placed on the surface of the quadrangle hopefully over the school holidays. The students will be able to extend their learning outside and have fun at the same time playing games.

Miss Michelle Jones

Principal

2021 School Commencement

In a previous newsletter calendar it stated that students return for 2021 on Thursday 28th January. The Department of Education has advised that 28th January is now an additional Staff Development Day. Students in Years 1-6 will now return on Friday 29th January. Kindergarten students starting in 2021 will commence school on Monday 1st February. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

Remembrance Day Ceremony

Last Wednesday 11th November we held a Remembrance Day Ceremony at the school's new flagpoles. Senior students very solemnly conducted the ceremony and then all students planted poppies to commemorate the sacrifices of our fallen soldiers.

Lest we Forget

School Attendance

At Tarago PS we have introduced a text messaging system to alert parents when a student is marked as absent. If you receive a text advising your child's is absent, please reply with a reason for the absence. We hope this system makes it easier for parents to communicate the reason for their child's absence from school.

Student Banking

Commonwealth Bank Student Banking has resumed in Term 3. Student banking day is.

Thursday

We look forward to assisting students and their saving journey.



Spotted around Tarago PS

- Glenn Michael, Jack G and Frankie for being great pre-kinder helpers.
- Jack H for being a good helper.
- Mr Webster for helping out at school.
- Mrs Tinson for organising a special Remembrance Day Ceremony.

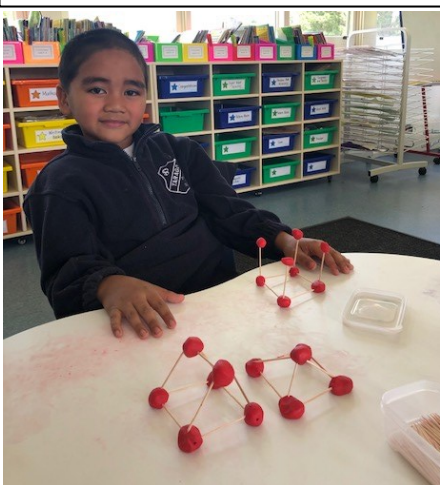
News from K-2

Since the last newsletter, K-2 students have completed their poetry writing unit and we now have a great collection of poems that will be published for our school library and classroom reading resources. What a creative group of young poets we have!

We have also been learning more about addition and this week we have started learning some more efficient subtraction strategies. Pictured here are students who are learning to count on using a dice throw and add game.

In our fortnightly STEM lesson, students were shown images of 3D objects and were tasked with creating them using toothpicks and modelling clay. The 3D objects we created were a cube, rectangular prism, triangular prism, square pyramid and triangular pyramid. It has been wonderful to hear students begin to use the language of coding during our robotics lessons. We have just started working on WeDo 2.0 Lego kits and so far most students have made a snail and a cooling fan, as well as coding them to complete different actions.

Mrs Tinson



News from 3-6

In 3-6 we have been researching about the importance of NAIDOC week. The students also created stories using Aboriginal symbols and painted these onto Boomerangs. We are learning how to write interesting narratives and have focused this week on writing settings, using our five senses to describe a location.

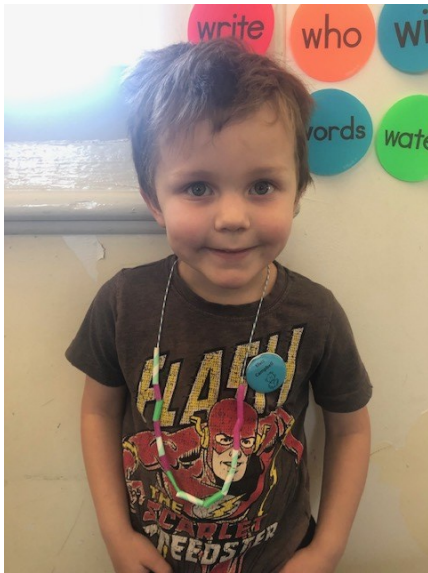
3-6 also practiced reading carefully to answer online NAPLAN questions. The results from these tests are not valid as they were conducted in a training environment. Next year NAPLAN will be online and so it very important that the students learn how to type. Especially Year 5, as the writing test will be online.

Miss Jones



Coming Up

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Term 4 2020 Week 7 23/11– 27/11				Student Banking	Book Club Orders Due
Term 4 2020 Week 8 30/11 - 4/12				Student Banking	



**Welcome to Tarago Public School
Annabelle, Elvis, Lara and Millie !!**



Kinder Orientation

What a busy couple of weeks we have had with our Kinder 2021 students! Annabelle, Elvis, Lara and Millie have all enjoyed listening to and retelling stories, learning about number, patterns and shapes and completing some craft activities.

Last week we met our resident blue tongue lizard, became familiar with the school and discussed colour and shape using pattern blocks. We also listened to the story 'The Magic Hat' and thought about what the magic hat would turn us into if it landed on our head.

Yesterday we made our very own 'Pete the Cat' after listening to the story, 'Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons'. We also used some cut up straws to make pattern necklaces and practised explaining our patterns to each other.

Parents, keep an eye out in your child's bag next week for the activities completed during orientation. They will be bound as a keepsake.

Mrs Tinson



Kindergarten 2021 Orientation

Kindergarten Orientation for children starting school in 2021 will be held on Tuesday 10th, 17th and 24th of November. Orientation will run from 9.20am to 11.20am. Children need to wear enclosed shoes and a broad brimmed hat is essential. During the orientation session morning tea will be provided.

A staff member will meet parents at the front gate and escort your child into school. Due to COVID-19 restrictions we ask that you only enter the school grounds in case of an emergency. We thank you for understanding.

Children must be turning 5 by July 31st 2021 to be eligible to attend and commence school in 2021.

News from the Library

Last Friday in sport, 3-6 had the opportunity to put into practise what they have been working towards for the last few weeks. They were able to make use of the schools new table tennis tables and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Michael Clarke certainly showed his prowess over Miss Divall.

Stage one students have been investigating different strategies for the addition of two and three digit numbers. They specifically, focused on the split strategy which involves breaking numbers apart according to their place value. It has been wonderful to see that nearly all of the K-2 class have been borrowing from the Library. It is pleasing and wonderful to see this enthusiasm right across the school.

Miss Divall



Remembrance Day Ceremony and our field of Poppies



ASSEMBLY TERM 4 WEEK 5



K-2 Merit Award Winners and Jack Hogan with Silver Behaviour Award ← ↑



← 3-6 Merit Award winners with Charlie and Chloe Gold Behaviour Award Recipients.



↓ Uniform Raffle ticket winners



Birthday Certificates and Library Award winners ↓



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